

## Mrs. J. K. Hughes Simmons 1 Comes In Late Tuesday

# ROAD BONDS CARRY 10 TO 1

## Humphreys-Boyd, Simmons 3 Comes In About Noon

### ANOTHER RECORD SHATTERED BY SPECTACULAR WILDCATTER

The third well for the Humphreys Boyd Oil Company in the Wortham field, of its discovery, came in at 11:15 this morning, when the company's Simmons 3 came in for an estimated production of between 8,000 and 10,000 barrels per day.

The company's first well, the discovery well on the N. B. Boyd came in Friday before Thanksgiving; its Simmons 1, the first great gusher of the field came in on bright Thanksgiving afternoon, the first producing oil well in Freestone County. That was less than three weeks ago. Today, the third came in, adding greatly to the daily production of the company in the Wortham district. There are now seven producers in the field, and before Thursday night, the company expects to add its Simmons 4 to the producing group. The latter is now drilling in. The number 3 Simmons is an offset North of the Simmons 1, while the Simmons 4 is west of the Simmons 1. The company has 8 operations on this lease, all of which will be completions before the first day of January when the Prairie Pipe Line Company is to pay the first payment, amounting to \$1,000,000 for the 3,000,000 barrels of oil at \$1.25 which Colonel A. E. Humphreys recently sold to that company. The number 5 is next to be drilled in.

The gas pressure was unusually heavy in the Simmons 3, which prevented it from drilling to the depths that other wells in that district have gone. It is understood to have stopped at around 2970 feet.

**RECORD ESTABLISHED.**

By Thursday night, the first oil to be run into a new 55,000 barrels steel storage tank, will be rushing from the Simmons lease to a 55 constructed by the Humphreys Boyd Company on its Carter tank farm. This tank has broken all records for speedy construction. By the time the huge reservoir is done, the Prairie Company will have completed its line to it from the Simmons lease and the work of storing Wortham crude will be under way. Not in the history of the oil business has such a record been made or approximated. It has been made possible due to the foresight of Colonel Humphreys who had the material rolling to Mexia for the storage before the discovery well was a producer and even when, to others, the outcome of that test was in doubt.

**ANOTHER ONE.**

Another record has been broken for the company by the firm of Branton and Murray, rig contractors. In 21 days, they have built 45 derricks for the Humphreys Boyd Company, all of which will be going down to the rich pay in a few days.

### Coolidge Takes Hand In Late Congress Problem

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—President Coolidge took a hand in the legislative quandary in congress today, and as a result it has been ordered that every effort be made to prevent a vote on the postal salaries bill in the Senate before Christmas. It is expected that congress will not entirely fall in line with the president on the policy. Discouraging investigations of conditions in the navy and a comparison of strength with other navies, evidence of this was seen when the House Naval Affairs Committee went ahead on a prearranged plan to question Secretary Wilburn.

### MEXIA LADY TO COMPLETE THREE MORE WELLS SOON

Many friends of Mrs. J. K. Hughes of this city went to the field about noon Tuesday to witness the bailing and coming in of the first well she has ever drilled and the first any woman in East Central Texas has ever drilled. On account of the connections with pipe lines being a little late, bailing was delayed several hours and did not start until about 4:50. Within 40 minutes, the gusher broke loose. It was known beforehand that it was to be a big well and precautions were taken to direct it immediately into lease storage and pipe lines. But it broke away and went gushing to the top of the derrick. It was about 5:30 and the shadows of night were coming but camera men for the Palace Local Events section of the Dallas Times-Herald were on the lease and accurate moving pictures of the event to be shown on screens probably throughout the country. The flush for the first few minutes indicated that it was even bigger than had been expected. A thirteen hour gauge test, which ended this morning, showed that in that time, it had poured out 4307 barrels, indicating that its first twenty-four hours run will yield between 8,000 and 9,000 barrels. The Humble Pipe Line Company has laid a six inch line to the well to take care of the production.

Mrs. Hughes Simmons 1, is located on the Roy Simmons farm, just outside of Wortham to the South. It is about 1,000 feet northeast of the Humphreys Boyd Simmons 1 gusher which came in Thanksgiving day as Freestone county's first oil well. She has ten acres in her lease, on which three other wells are being rushed down to the Woodbine sands in the midst of what is said to be the busiest nest of derricks in the oil world today. Before the month is up, it is expected these additional wells will be placed in the production column.

This Mexia lady is being congratulated by her host of friends here, messages are being wired and written to her from friends elsewhere, while the fame of her new fortune and achievement have been carried to the four corners of the country.

Mrs. Hughes has always been recognized as an expert in the oil game since she first came with her husband to Mexia, when the various Hughes organizations came into being. In the boom times of 1921 and 1922 she was at her desk by the side of Mr. Hughes early and late, advising, encouraging and helping him in his successes. As the companies waxed in strength and the way pointed to continued successes for the various companies, Mrs. Hughes, who is of a retiring and amiable disposition, left the office and went to her home on McKinney Street, where she has taken a deep interest in church and charity work, visiting the office only occasionally. Her advice in the old days was considered and sought seriously.

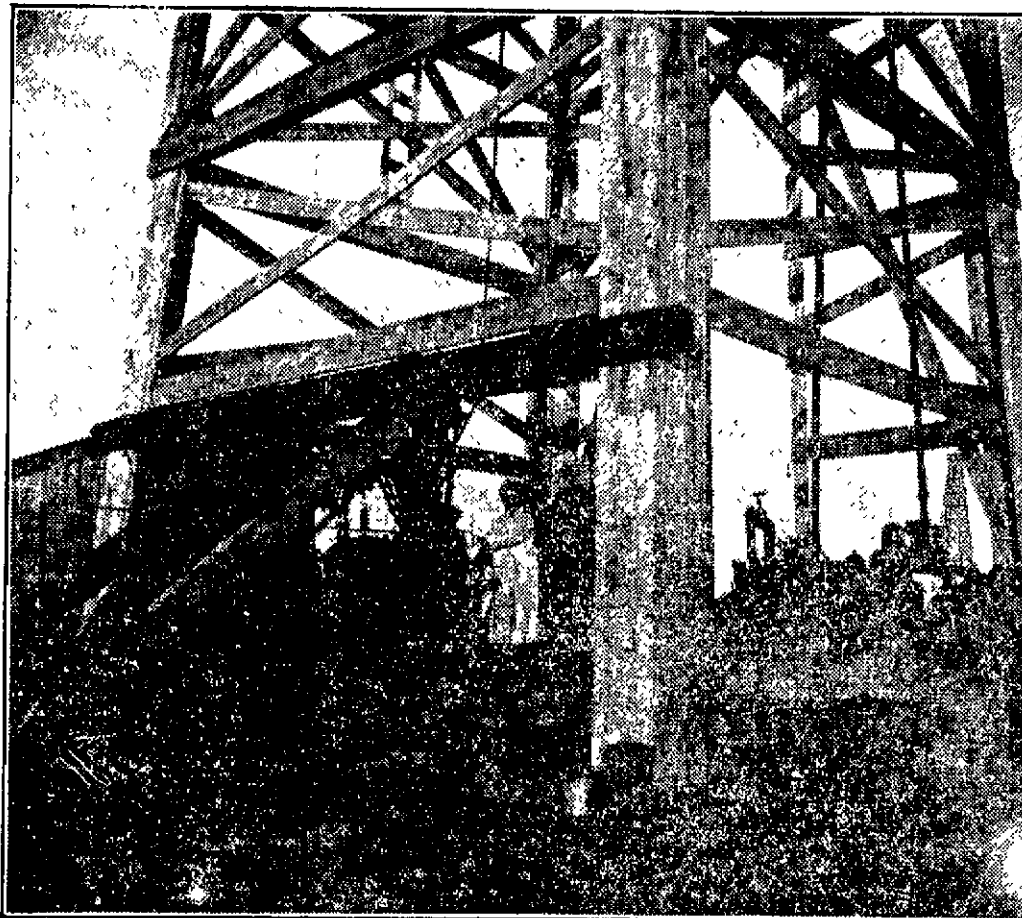
Last Spring while she was on one of her visits down town, she overheard a lease offered operators here who rejected it. She was immediately interested and closed a deal for the Simmons acreage which she now has. Following the discovery of the field, she immediately made arrangements to drill not only one well but four wells on her ten acres. She made the locations herself and pulled the lever when the Number 1 was spudded in.

She has thus proven equal to the reputation she sustained three years ago, but the chances are highly probable that when she completes her present drilling campaign she will be content to let the men "carry on," unless somebody let's a good thing get by and then if she is around, she may be heard from again in the oil fields.

G. T. Bowman was here from Ranger Tuesday.

J. F. Tucker of Houston was in the city today.

### Mrs. J. K. Hughes of Mexia



First woman operator in Central Texas to bring in an oil well. Her Simmons 1 gusher came in late Tuesday on a lease she purchased and financed, and who is here shown pulling the lever when the well was spudded in near Wortham.

### Hardy Eubanks, President Mexia Chamber Of Commerce Happiest Man In Texas When Bonds Carry

A. Hardy Eubanks, President of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce, was one of the happiest men in Texas Tuesday night when it was known that the vote for the \$1,571,000 road bonds had carried in Mexia by about 30 to 1 and throughout the Consolidated district 4 by more than 10 to 1. No oil operator ever wore a broader smile when his well came in than Mr. Eubanks, as the returns from the neighboring boxes came in. "By Mexia's Act," Mr. Eubanks stated, "this municipality wiped out her city limits and lines or extended them many miles in all direction. Our people proved to their neighbors in Limestone County that they are Welcome to Mexia, welcome here on all occasions and for all purposes, to help build for themselves or to help build for others. And equally gratifying is it to realize that by their interest, acts and votes our neighbors have shown that they were anxious to be incorporated as one of us, one with us and one for us. We are for them stronger than ever."

Asked as to what he thought the passage of the bond election means to the community, Mr. Eubanks declared that in his opinion it was the greatest single achievement at the polls that has been accomplished here and in the district in many years. It means more people, more of the kind of people that we want and need. It means more happy homes, better churches, better schools, more permanent improvements. It means the enrichment of the "Man with the Hoe" as it increases the value of his farm and field. It means more work and better living conditions for the Tin Bucket Brigade. It means more business of that legitimate sort which builds for the future.

He also stated that he wanted to thank every voter who went to the polls for their interest displayed and for everyone who had any part whatever, large or small, in making the record breaking victory a reality.

"First of all I want to thank The Mexia Daily News. Its great fight has won the eternal gratitude of this people. Its columns were contributed generously for the well written articles that appeared. Its editorials were convincing, fair, just,

truthful, thorough and to the point. I want to say the same thing for The Mexia Weekly Herald. Jere Cason, our Chamber of Commerce, deserves unstinted praise for his valuable work. He labored long and late, putting his heart, his head and his feet and hands into the campaign. There were others too, many of them, who went into the campaign, as if it were a personal business deal, sacrificing their time and the demands of their own business in going to the boxes of the Consolidated district where they lent their presence and their speech, their influence and their support to the cause of the campaign. Also, I want to thank the citizens of every box in the district for the gracious way which they welcomed us and for the part many in these places played in the success of Tuesday. I cannot say too much in praise for those good people in every box in the district. The results have been commensurate with the labor and what little I did, I felt amply repaid from the very moment of the victory, which I never questioned, was known."

### Big Suit Against Oil Directors

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Dec. 17 Suit for \$635,000 damages has been filed by the Sunshine Consolidated Oil Company here against four directors of the concern, the claim growing out of receivership proceedings filed by the directors. The company, the petition claimed, has been damaged to that amount by the receivership action which was vacated by the court.

### GIFTS GOING OUT FOR FRIENDS ELSEWHERE

Christmas packages are being mailed out in great numbers here daily. The parcel post window is doing a rushing business, while the mail pouches going to the trains are shown bulging with the big volume of holiday mail. The people are urged not to wait until the last moment to send out their gifts if they want them to get to their destinations by Christmas.

### SMITH COMPANY EDWARDS 1 IS DUE TO COME IN SOON

E. L. Smith Oil Company's Edwards 1, south offset to the Penn McCorkle 1, east of Wortham's railroad station a few blocks, is expected in by Thursday. This well began drilling in Tuesday and is being watched with much interest. It is believed to be certain for production of gusher proportions.

The Company brought in its Beall 1, the first producer of this week, which has already contributed three big wells to the production column of the Wortham pool.

In addition to this several other operations are making rapid headway downwards on leases owned by this company. Both E. L. Smith and Vice President Blake Smith are in the field constantly looking after their extensive interests. The Company is also constructing a tank farm North of Mexia about three miles.

### Old Case Against Thaw Dismissed

[International News Service]

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The indictment against Harry K. Thaw, charging kidnapping and assault in the second degree, in connection with Thaw's attack upon Frederick Gump Kansas City youth, was dismissed by the general session court today. The dismissal was recommended on the grounds that Gump is now married and living at Long Beach, California and does not wish to press the charges. The attack on Gump took place in a New York hotel, where Thaw confined the boy after luring him east. Shortly after the indictments were returned Thaw was found with his wrists and throat slashed in a suicide attempt. He had been adjudged insane and confined in "Kirkbride's" asylum for seven years. The jury found that Thaw was sane. Last spring he came to New York and gave bond in connection with the Gump indictments.

Jack Womack, Jr. has returned from Rice Institute to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents here.

### MEXIA STRONG FOR ISSUE AS THOSE FOR OUTNUMBER THOSE AGAINST SOME 30 TO 1

The road bond election which called the citizens of Consolidated Road District 4 to the polls Tuesday, swept into victory throughout the district by a majority so overwhelming that it probably established a record for bond issues of such proportions in Texas and in the Southwest. The vote in all boxes was small but larger than some anticipated, in view of the strain and rush of business through which this city and her neighbors are now passing. The total tabulation shows that 721 votes were cast of which only 65 were against and 659 for, being more

than 10 to 1 for the issuance of the bonds.

The vote at Mexia stood 511 for to 18 against, being almost 30 to 1.

By the provisions of the issue, \$271,000 of the \$1,571,000 is to be used to take up outstanding road bonds and the remaining \$1,300,000 is to be utilized in paving and graveling a total of more than 70 miles of highways and roads in the Consolidated road district 4, which is composed of road districts 12, 16 and the old road district 4.

Forest Glade, Shiloh, Tehuacana and their near neighbors voted on the bonds, being included in the consolidated district.

The vote at Forest Glade stood 53 for and 3 against. The citizens there have ridden over the pavement from their magnificent school house to Mexia until they realize the advantages, the convenience and the value of good roads more fully probably than any other of the boxes which accounts for the big vote for and the small vote against.

The vote at Shiloh stood 30 for and 24 against. It was noticeable that this was the only box where the vote did not carry by the necessary two thirds majority, yet a big majority for the issue was polled. It has been a matter of comment that the unusually large vote against was cast there in view of the fact that the voting of the bonds has meant a uniform tax throughout the district for road building and maintenance purposes and means a reduction of the taxes for the Shiloh road district from \$1.75 to 40 cents.

The vote at Tehuacana stood 56 for to 20 against. The passage of the bonds means the pavement of the Lone Star Trail to the seat of Westminster College at Tehuacana, over the hill several miles to the precinct line, near Coolidge.

Since the successful carrying of the bonds, it is not likely that the citizens of Limestone County will be called to the polls soon to vote on a county wide road bond issue.

By virtue of the passage of the bonds other important highways will be paved to the limits of the Consolidated Road district and additional miles of roads, known as laterals or county roads, will be gravelled, in some instances to the very heart of as fertile a farming section as can be found in East Central Texas.

Just when the actual construction work is to begin is not yet known. The bonds have to be approved and sold and contracts let. However, everything will be done to expedite matters and to clear the way for the additional improvements as early as possible or wise.

The news of the stand for good roads taken Tuesday by the people of this Consolidated road district has already gone to millions of citizens, through the medium of the press. Favorable attention thus has again been drawn to the section aside from the stories that illuminate papers in every state in the Union regarding oil activities here.

In the midst of the excitement and rush, the citizenship paused to vote for permanent improvements of such a volume as to provoke the general verdict that it was the biggest achievement in many years, if not in all the history of the district, except where the people voted on bonds for their schools.

### SCRIPT DANCE AT POLO CLUB HOUSE

An invitation script dance will be given at the Pure Oil Company's Club House at the Reunion Grounds Tuesday night. Bill Franklin's famous six piece orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion, although this orchestra is making its first appearance in Mexia it has already won a reputation since coming south for a tour during the winter months. Some of the college set has already arrived for the Yuletide holidays and a large crowd is expected.

### INAUGURAL BALL TO BE EVENT OF NOTE IN AUSTIN

[By United Press]

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 17.—With the installation of "Ma" Ferguson more than a month away, plans went ahead here today to make the inaugural ceremonies of the State's first woman Governor stand out in as bold relief as her election.

Tentative arrangements call for the entertainment of 100,000 visitors at the inaugural ball and reception the night of Jan. 20, according to J. L. Peeler, chairman of the inaugural committee.

Seventy-five hundred formal invitations to the inaugural will be mailed out this week and other quotas will be dispatched later in the week.

### Burk Burnett's Widow Is Dead In Fort Worth

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Mary Couts Burnett, widow of the late S. Burk Burnett, millionaire oil and cattleman, is dead.

Mrs. Burnett died late yesterday, the result of a paralytic last Friday. She had failed steadily since she was stricken.

Funeral arrangements will be announced today.

A year ago Mrs. Burnett drafted a will placing her \$4,000,000 estate in trust for use of Texas Christian University.

### Thieves Stole Wernher Jewels

[International News Service]

LONDON, Dec. 17.—A story of how a gang of expert American thieves stole the famous Wernher collection of pearls June 11th on behalf of an aged Chicago millionaire collector was printed in the Evening News today. The millionaire, not named, collaborated with the thieves minutely planning the coupe and specifying the pieces wanted. Giving them a time schedule on which to work, the story said, the thieves arrived in New York with the gems and telephoned the Chicago residence of the collector. The butler replied "master died an hour ago," the story said.

The News would be glad to receive any information in regard to the return of the College students for the Christmas holidays.

J. G. McClintock and wife were here from Wichita Falls Monday.

W. A. Martin was here from Corsicana Monday.

# Homeseekers Are Reaching Wortham Rapidly Today

H. O. Tatum, Secretary of the Wortham Chamber of Commerce, and one of the most capable men of the profession was in Mexia this afternoon. He states that Wortham is today witnessing larger crowds of homeseekers than ever. The thriving city is doing its very best to measure up to the occasion and there is a friendly spirit of co-Mexia which is gratifying to the citizens of both places.

**PEAK SIX MONTHS AWAY.**

All the big operators are said to be raising their estimates of the life of the Wortham field. Col. A. E. Humphreys, pioneer of this and the Mexia and Powell fields, was quoted today as saying that the peak of production in Wortham might not be reached for six months.

In the meanwhile, the oil field army keeps rolling in. They are sleeping in the fields by the hundreds.

Lawless-ness so far has been small. Sheriff Dave Terry, with a squad of deputies, has moved to Wortham from Fairfield, the Freestone county seat. Ranger Burton, of Waco, is on the job. Jim Wasson, Wortham man, has responded to a call to organize a Wortham police force.

But the field is taking on more of the livelier atmosphere of oildom every day.

**TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM.**

Casing and boilers, boilers and casing, and more of each—that's around Worth. Black boilers, red boilers, white boilers, boilers on freight cars, boilers on trucks, boilers behind eight-horse teams; boilers dumped on end in the cotton fields, while the rigs go up; hundreds of boilers hiving in chorus as they drive down the almighty drill. From the Mexia pike, seven miles away, the Wortham field shows a solid phalanx of new derricks by day, dwarfed by distance into a close-set, shimmering forest. At night, each derrick is strung with lights, and often a colored light at the top, seen from the distance like a foretelling, or massed Christmas tree. Down among the pines and pine line gangs are toiling and the trucks and teams struggle across fields which recently were cotton, with their casing and boiler loads.

**MARLIN NEGROES DEFEAT MEXIA GRIDSTERS**

The Marlin negro high school football team defeated the Mexia negro high school squad at Marlin Friday afternoon by the score of 29 to 6.

Miles was the outstanding star for Marlin, making two touchdowns, while Cannon crossed the goal line for the third one.

The contest was witnessed by a good crowd at Rimes Park in Marlin, including a number of white fans.

**AMERICA TAKES TO TEA.**

(New York Tribune.)

Afternoon tea is growing. There are private houses where it is served every afternoon now, instead of only on Sundays, and there are even obscure rumors about officers. And in spite of its softening influence on the free spirit of a pioneer people there are some things to be said for it. It sheds a luster—and it has taught the British how to talk. It might almost do as much for us.

E. L. Smith, President of the E. L. Smith Oil Company, and other citizens of Mexia who were students of Wesley College when located at Terrell are elated over the winning by that college of the state football championship. Mr. Smith was an end on the Wesley eleven in his school days and catcher for the Wesley baseball team.

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By H. S. Osborne

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"It's a terrible thing," then squeaked the spring,  
"An all-day sort of a shake!"  
"Oh, where are we going?" the engine cried,  
"My head is a-throbbing to burst!"  
"I'll give it my veto," declared the magneto,  
"This road's absolutely the worst!"

Not much of a lark," then sputtered the spark,  
"It's enough to drive one into fits."  
"It's nothing but jar," cried the floor of the car,  
"I declare I am shaken to bits!"  
"They ought to know better," remarked the carburetor,  
"This talking of fixing them's bunk!"  
"Unless the road menders," chimed in all the fenders,  
"Get busy—we all shall be junk."

"I say this is fierce!" exclaimed a big Pierce;  
"Worse than that," cried the Ford, "if you please."  
Now tell me, what maker," put in Studebaker,  
"Expected conditions like these?"  
The Overland hurried—"I'm nervous and flurried,  
I tell you, it's far from a joke!"  
"What a terrible fix," said a new Super-Six,  
"If the roads caused us all to go broke!"

A National muttered—"They're horribly rutted  
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"I know how you feel," cried a Lo-comobile,  
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## Agricultural Will Be The Greatest Ever

(By United Press)  
CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—The temple of agriculture, a \$20,000,000 skyscraper project greater than any now in existence or contemplated, will be a reality here within a few years, Lawrence Whiting, President of the Whiting and Co., Securities House, announced.

Men identified with it include former Governor Frank O. Lowden, William Wrigley Jr., "Chewing Gum King," Colonel Robert W. Stewart, Chairman of the Board of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana and Charles H. Markham, President of the Illinois Central Railroad.

The building will contain 30,000,000 cubic feet 2,500,000 square feet of floor space, Whiting said. It will have a convention hall with a seating capacity of 20,000.

## Would Legalize Boxing In Texas

(By United Press)  
DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 17.—A bill legalizing boxing in the State of Texas, will be introduced at the 1925 session of the State Legislature, J. W. Gardner, president of the Gardner Park Amusement Company, co-author of the measure told the United Press.

Provisions of the measure, as outlined by Gardner, would create a state boxing commission with authority to confer licenses, promulgate charters and suspend pugilists for alleged crookedness.

Fifteen round bouts would be permitted. Pugilists, on signing an agreement, would be required to Post Forfeits, display licenses and a permit from the commission to box. Promoters would be required to post \$5,000 bond to protect the public against a "Set-Up" be chartered and licensed as a corporation, charge not more than \$5 admission and turn five per cent of the gross receipts over to the State.

The boxing commission could be composed of four men, including a secretary. The commissioners would draw salaries of \$10 a day but

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## Wesley College Reaches Finals

CONQUERERS OF WESTMINSTER WIN IN FINALS.

Wesley College, the conquerers of Westminster in last Tuesday's game at Greenville, romped away to a 14 to 3 victory over John Tarlton College at Stephenville Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 16th, winning the Junior College football championship for the State of Texas.

With a cloud-screened sky and a light breeze blowing from the south, a crowd of approximately 3,000 people witnessed the final struggle for Championship title. The crowd was thrilled throughout the game by the spectacular playing of Boyd, All-day, Kneiff and McCarty who starred for Wesley, again as they have done in every game this season. On-ly one or two changes have been made in the powerful Wesley line-up since they eked out a six to nothing victory over the Westminster Wildcats on the local gridiron Nov. 27th.

The stars for John Tarlton were: Johnson, Parry and Jennings, who were the most consistent ground gainers, although they were never able to cross the goal line of the Greenville boys.

Westminster College has made great strides this year in winning

would be held within a maximum of \$1,800 a year.

Gardner said a group of Texas business men was prepared to support the bill. The measure is composed of excerpts taken from bills in effect throughout the United States, he said.

the championship for this district and remained in the race for the semi-finals. Mexia should be proud of this small aggregation out on the hill just a few miles from our city, and next year we believe that they will even be in the finals and here hoping they will wear the crowning wreath of glory, the Junior College Championship.

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W. M. Brown, manager of the J. R. Neece Lumber Company at Tanguague was transferred to the John R. Corley ambulance to the hospital in that place Monday afternoon. He was operated on Tuesday morning for appendicitis and is reported to be doing nicely.

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**"For Mexia. I WILL"**  
CITIZENS OF VISION FOUND WORTHY

The citizens of Mexia and of Consolidated Road District 4 of Limestone County did themselves proudly in the \$1,571,000 road bond election of Tuesday. It would be difficult, indeed, to find where a bond issue of such stupendous proportions, involving such a sum, in a community the size of that concerned over the outcome, ever cast such an overwhelming vote in its favor. It is a source of unspeakable gratification to be members of the citizenship of a place that thus lived up to its reputation and to its slogan "The City That Vision Is Building."

Although chief credit for the successful carrying of the issue individually goes to Hardy Eubanks, Jere Cason and other officials of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce, The News is proud of the part it had to play in the great game of community building through good roads. It fought with its news and editorial columns to the very last moment, not doubtful at any time over the outcome, trustful in the spirit of vision that dominates the progressive spirits of the voters of the city and district but when the results were known, there came that peace that wells up from knowledge of duty done, so overwhelming was the vote for the Bonds.

The News commends those who went to the polls. Whether they voted for or against the issue, their motives are unquestioned, their intelligence unassailed and their loyalty not subject to rebuke. They saw the subject through their own eyes and drew their own conclusions and then voted their conscientious views. Praise be to them for their patriotism.

As the years come rolling on and the more than 70 miles of hard surfaced and gravelled roads add to the prosperity, worth and joys of living and laboring in this Consolidated Road District, they will see a monument they helped to lay. It will not be a towering statue for men to look upon and admire. It will not be carved by a sculptor's skill nor ornamented from base to peak with flourishes of handiwork, for the winds of the tempest to beat against in vain, while men still look up and applaud. But it will be a monument nevertheless, stretching from home to school and church, from farm to factory, from field to marketplace; a monument for men to look down to and bless those who made it possible; a monument to walk upon and work upon; a monument to ride upon and rest upon, and withal making clearer the path and smoother the way for all who pass upon it.

Good road building and proper road maintenance are indeed an achievement worthy of the plaudits of any people.

**A NEW ERA DAWNS**

Mexia is face to face with a new era in her progress. The voting of the road bonds Tuesday was one of the greatest single achievements this people has ever wrought. By the passage of those bonds, \$1,571,000 has been designated to build more than 70 miles of roads which were designated in the election issue and marked on the map. Every community comprising the consolidated road district made up of road districts 12, 15 and the old district number 4 are to share fairly in the complete network of better roads made possible. Practically every road leading into Mexia is to be paved like her city streets and like the road to Forest Glade which Colonel A. E. Humphreys made possible. The X-All highway is to be paved from the city limits at the end of the paving on Ross Avenue to the Freestone county line, right in front of the field headquarters of the Humble Oil Company which are being built in Limestone county, adjoining the Freestone county line. It will be paved south from Forest Glade to the river. This will give this highway about 12 miles of as fine road as can be found in Texas. The Lone Star Trail will be paved from Ross Avenue to the Freestone County line towards Cotton Gin and Teague. It will be paved West to Tehuacana, over the hill and to within a few miles of Coolidge. Other roads are also to be paved by the provisions of the bond issue. These are mentioned since they are shortest route from coast to coast, it will bear thousands of tourists pass annually in addition to the usual travel. The Lone Star Trail bids fair to be a community asset bigger than a railroad even. Freestone county has voted bonds to improve this highway on to the distant eastern county line where it will be met by good roads that extend clear on across Texas East. In a few years, as the public learns that this is the best and the shortest route from coast to coast, it will bear thousands of tourists annually and hundreds of thousands of dollars to Mexia. This is not an enthusiastic piece of guesswork but it is a fact based on statistics known to be reliable and authentic.

Also it is a source of gratification to know that other roads will be well gravelled and properly maintained into the very heart of some of the richest farming areas in East Central Texas.

It is doubtful if any city in Texas, no matter how large it is, has a more complete, systematic, regular and thorough network of paved roads, highways and gravelled roads leading to it than has been made possible through the achievements of Tuesday.

**RAYMONDVILLE** — The Valley Electric and Ice Company has acquired the local electric light property and will make extensive improvements. A transmission line will be built between Raymondville and San Benito.

**SAN BENITO** — Construction of an electric transmission line between this city and Matamoros, Mex., is to begin soon by the Valley Electric and Ice Company.

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**THE EDITORIAL OF THE DAY**

**EARTH HAS GOLDEN CORE?**  
(Watson Davis in Current History Magazine.)  
Geophysicists at the geophysical laboratory of the Carnegie Institute of Washington have just announced their conclusion that the earth is made up of four and possibly five layers of material. At the innermost core — the earth there may be immense quantities of gold, platinum and other metals heavier than iron. Around this it is practically certain that there is an irregular sphere of iron about 4200 miles in diameter. From the outer edge of this iron core to the surface is about 1800 miles, a distance that is divided into three layers whose boundaries are not sharply defined. Next to the central iron sphere is a mixed layer of iron and rock which extends to within about 900 miles of the surface. Between this and the crust, which is about thirty-five miles thick, there is a layer resembling that found on the surface of the earth, but containing more magnesia and less silicate. The granites with which we are familiar form only a mere film a few miles deep upon the surface of the earth. The rest of the crust is made up of more basic and more rigid rock.

**LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS**

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl I go to school at South McKinney St., and sure do like my teacher. I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll that says Mama, some toy dishes and a wrist watch, and don't forget my little brother, bring him a little gun and some fire crackers, candy and nuts, so good bye, Santa. Your loving friend,  
MYRTLE ARCHIBALD.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl twelve years old and I am in the fourth grade, I go to school at South McKinney, St. I like my teacher fine. I will tell you next what I want you to bring me. I want a doll that says mama, some dishes and a ring and other things, and don't forget my other sisters. Your loving friend,  
JEWELL ARCHIBALD.

other extra toys bring them to my little playmate Wilmer Tidwell 'cause he's been awfully good too. I also want lots of candy and fruit. I hope you don't have much trouble getting down our chimney. With lots of love, your little boy,  
CHARLIE MILTON.

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll, a buggy, dresser, some nuts candy and some fruit. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
MICKY PARR.

To Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 7 years old, I go to school every day, I am in high second grade. I am studying very hard trying to make the third grade. I work very hard helping my Daddy. I want you to bring me an air gun a drum, football, fruit, nuts, candy and fireworks. I have two

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Dear Santa:  
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**Undeatable Squad For Last**

DALLAS, Texas. U's two year took up Monday of keeping fit to meet West Virginia, Buchanan, We Intersectional M ship of the Uni Year's day at Up on the edge ginia mountains Bob Higgins sta the last half mo same aim in vie The New Ye played between on much the sa ing. Neither u scrimmage in and Freeland o believe in regul and have two y fend the ideas. so long a list through that Hi his men in pra This latter fo the New Year King, Brinkham ner injured in t year have report will be in the Fenton, who su the first game West Virginia, expected to be ben out the en never play agai Wesleyan has tion from Hot s stop there on the two-day practic vitation alone est, attached to long trip to Te The New Ye shares with th the same day football world. Seats are alr New Year's g Pharmacy in D GREAT RELIE The latest v a man to have out being pinc friends to wo the stuff.

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## Undeclared S.M.U. Squad Lines Up For Last Struggle

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 17.—S. M. U.'s two year undefeated veterans took up Monday afternoon the task of keeping fit through the holidays to meet West Virginia Wesleyan of Buckhannon, West Virginia, in the Intercollegiate Methodist Championship of the United States on New Year's day at Fair Park Stadium. Up on the edge of the West Virginia mountains on the same day, Rob Higgins started his Bobcats on the last half month's grind with the same aim in view.

The New Year's game will be played between two squads that rely on much the same system of training. Neither undertakes a hard scrimmage in practice. Morrison and Freeland of S. M. U. do not believe in regular scrimmage work and have two years' results to defend their ideas. West Virginia had so long a list of cripples the year through that Higgins could not ask his men in practice.

This latter fact will not affect the New Year's game however. King, Brinkham, Dietrich, and Trayner injured in the big battles of the year have reported for practice and will be in the New Year's game. Denton, who sustained an injury in the first game of the year with West Virginia, is the only player not expected to participate. He has been out the entire season and may never play again.

Wesleyan has accepted an invitation from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to stop there on the trip to Texas for a two-day practice session. The invitation alone evidences the interest attached to the West Virginian's long trip to Texas.

The New Year's game in Dallas shares with the two in California the same day the interest of the football world.

Socks are already on sale for the New Year's game at the Adolphus Pharmacy in Dallas.

**GREY RELIEF TO SCOFFLAWS.**  
The latest variety of flu enables a man to have the hiccoughs without being pinched or causing his friends to wonder where he got the stuff.

## MASONS LAY WALK BEFORE NEW TEMPLE

DETROIT, Mich.—Using concrete mixers, wheelbarrows, and shovels furnished by members of the Masonic fraternity, one hundred members of the Detroit, Michigan Masonic lodges recently donned overalls and staged a sidewalk laying bee in front of the \$6,500,000 Masonic Temple.

The purpose of the bee was not so much for the sake of accomplishing the work as to give a large number of Masons a part in the actual construction of the new temple. Hundreds of their brother Masons looked on while the sidewalk was being laid.—The New Era.

## PART OF NEW TEMPLE DEDICATED BY MASONS

FORT SCOTT, a.k.a. Proceeding the annual reunion of the Scottish Rite bodies of the city, the first unit of their new temple was dedicated with appropriate ceremony. The principal speaker was Thomas G. Fitch, 33 degree, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Scottish Rite in Kansas. The new temple is a two-unit project, the first unit comprising the stage and auditorium, and the second the banquet room and club rooms, and when completed will be three stories high, costing approximately a half million dollars.

## FURTHEREST NORTH FOR CORN

[By United Press]  
EDMONTON, Alta. — Farthest north for corn has been achieved at the Fort Vermillion experimental farm, 650 miles north of the international boundary, according to a report of the Dominion department of agriculture. Seven commercial varieties of field corn were successfully grown at the farm this year. They were Wisconsin No. 7, White Cap, Yellow Dent, Bailey, Longfellow, Northwestern Dent, Quebec No. 28 and Canada Yellow. The yields ranged from 15½ tons to the acre on the Wisconsin variety to 24½ tons on Longfellow.

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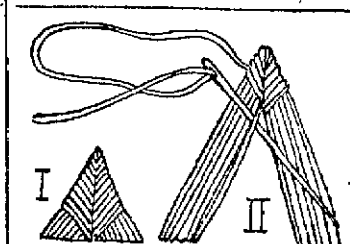
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**Paris Shortens the Skirt**  
In the latest models from Paris, the shortened skirt is featured. Paris says from 12 to 15 inches from the ground; individual taste will dictate what gives one's figure the best line—and that, after all, is the best style.

Paris has done her best in the creation of this frock and she has done it in a way that the home dressmaker is able to follow at reasonable expense and without difficulty as far as sewing is concerned. The model has straight lines and is smartened by little trimming details of utmost effectiveness. The border at the lower

edge of the skirt may be of fancy ribbon, of braid, of contrasting material or of embroidery. The collar of course, corresponds with the skirt trimming and has the edges bound with a bias fold of the dress material. The front of the dress is slashed down the front, then bound with a narrow bias fold of self-material and a jabot of soft, sheer fabric—perhaps Georgette—added. This trimming is repeated on the sleeves, which are long and close-fitting. By no means omit buttons in copying the model, for they are a distinctive feature of all frocks of this type.



needle outside of left-hand diagonal thread. Carry thread down to right end, with needle to left of thread. Bring out to right of left-hand diagonal stitches. Take stitches at top outside of previous stitches, and those at bottom inside of previous stitches.

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## Knights Templar Elect Officers

Coeur de Lion Commandery, Knights Templar, held its regular annual meeting Tuesday night for the election of officers.

The Orders of the Temple were conferred on one Knight of Malta.

Following are the new officers for the ensuing year:

M. B. Webb, E. C.  
Rod Fielder, Genl.  
Oscar Denning, Capt. Gen.  
T. O. Meador, S. W.  
Marvin Suttle, J. W.  
Rev. E. H. Hudson, Private.  
A. M. Stevens, Treasurer.  
T. A. Griffith, Recorder.  
Carl Nelly, St. Br.  
Herman Stokes, Sw. Br.  
Dr. Roy Leamon, Warder.  
Charlie Henderson, Sentinel.

These officers will be installed Christmas morning at 10:30, after which a Christmas service will be held, conducted by Sir Knights W. B. Andrews and E. H. Hudson.

This Christmas service is ordered held by the grand commander, and all members are required to attend or show good cause why not.

## COLLEGE SET SOON TO RETURN FOR HOLIDAYS

Since the coming of the boom, gaiety has almost forsaken Mexia, with the exceptions of the High School set. Many of the younger people will be glad to note that with the return of the college students, most of whom will return this

weekend, gaiety will be resumed during the Yuletide season.

Sunday the 21st, should find many of the following students either back home or on the train with Mexia as their destination. W. R. Adams, Trinity University, Miss Miriam Bass, Randolph Macon, Clay Johnson Berry, Southwestern, Miss Elizabeth Karner, C. I. A., Miss Dorothy Parker, Ward Bel-

mont, Jack Riddle, Castle Heights, Miss Velma Wallace, Southwestern, Jim Smith, J. M. Forrest, Tech, Miss Alice Yeldell from Hockaday School at Dallas, Reuben Parker, Terrill School at Dallas, Jack Womack, Jr., and W. B. Kendrick from Rice and many others.

The Mexia Daily News will be glad to note the return of others of the college set from time to time.

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MEXIA SCHOOLS PARTICIPATE IN ESSAY CONTEST

The school children of Mexia have just participated in the Better Home Lighting Contest, which campaign has also been conducted throughout the United States simultaneously with its presentation here. The Community Power and Light Company sponsored the contest locally. The Home Lighting Essay Contest. The purpose of this contest, which was under the direction of the electrical industry in the United States and the Dominion of Canada, is to inform you and your family in the proper use of electric light so that in future years there will be less eye trouble. Many people have poor eyesight today because the lighting in their homes is not well shaded, or because they do not have enough light, or because the lights are not in the right place.

- Four Things to Do. The contest was open to the school children of the United States and the Dominion of Canada. It consisted of four parts, as follows: 1. Study the lessons in the Home Lighting Primer. 2. Investigate the lighting equipment in your own home, and in the homes of two of your friends, and report this investigation in the Primer. 3. Select the fixtures you would use from fixture pages, cut them out and paste them neatly in the proper position on the pictures of the rooms in the Primer so that each room will be properly lighted. 4. Write an essay (not more than 600 words) telling what changes you would make in the lighting of your own home if you wanted to have it lighted properly. Tell why you would make such changes. Write in ink on one side of the paper only.

Judges. The electrical industry in each city or locality will appoint its own judges who shall name the winners of the local contests. The judges who shall name the winners of the international contest are: Franklin T. Griffith, President, National Electric Light Association.

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How the Work Will Be Judged. The work of each contestant for the international prizes will be judged for the following:

1. Knowledge of the lessons as shown by the essay. 2. By the pasting of the fixtures in the drawing of the rooms in the Primer. 3. Originality of ideas and clarity of language in the essay. 4. Thoroughness and neatness of work. Lights for use in the home have improved quite rapidly during the last two or three generations and as soon as a better light was invented, we just put the new one in place of the older one. First the candle was replaced by the oil lamp, and this in turn by the gas light. When the modern electric light bulbs or incandescent lamps were invented and used in homes instead of gas, they gave more light and were much brighter than anything we had before. A bright light burning outdoors in the day night not even be noticed, and it would not cause glare because there would not be enough

difference between the brightness of the light and the brightness of the daylight. However, at night this same light would be quite disagreeable and might not be very good for our eyes. In order to protect our eyes, all lamp bulbs should be shaded in such a way that we cannot see the lighted filament or wire inside the bulb and so that we do not even see a very bright spot in the shade directly in front of this lighted filament. When lights are shaded in this way, it is hardly possible to get too much light for comfortable vision. Sometimes the use of frosted bulbs will help to remove annoying glare.

WATER WORKS OPERATORS INVITED TO ATTEND SCHOOL.

An invitation is extended to all water works and filter plant operators to attend the Seventh Annual School for Water Works and Filter Plant Operators to be held in Austin January 20-31 under the auspices of the Texas Section of the Southwest Waterworks Association, in cooperation with the Texas State Board of Health, the University of Texas, and the Austin City Water Department. In addition to operators from all over Texas, water commissioners from all parts of the state and prominent consulting and designing engineers from other states will be present during the six day session. The first three days of the meeting will be devoted to lectures and actual laboratory work under the direction of the faculty of the University of Texas. The last three days

will consist of papers and discussions of the outstanding problems of the water-works profession. The discussions are especially designed for smaller plant operators. Information concerning the sessions may be secured by writing to V. M. Ehlers, secretary of the Texas Section of Southwest Waterworks Association, Capitol Station, Austin.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS REPORTED TO BUREAU OF STATISTICS

Births reported to the Bureau of Vital Statistics for October totalled 7,945 and deaths 2,869. In addition 200 records have been returned to physicians and undertakers for additional information that they failed to secure before forwarding the certificates to the State Board of Health. Midwives reported 712 of these births, showing that a large percent of the mothers of the state are being attended by these women. Texas has 252 counties with 476 registrars compiling these statistics. Of this number some fifty made no report of births or deaths, with many more omitting statistics on one or the other. Texas is one of the few states still outside of the registration area of the U. S. Public Health Service. To be in this area a state must report at least 90 per cent of its births and deaths.

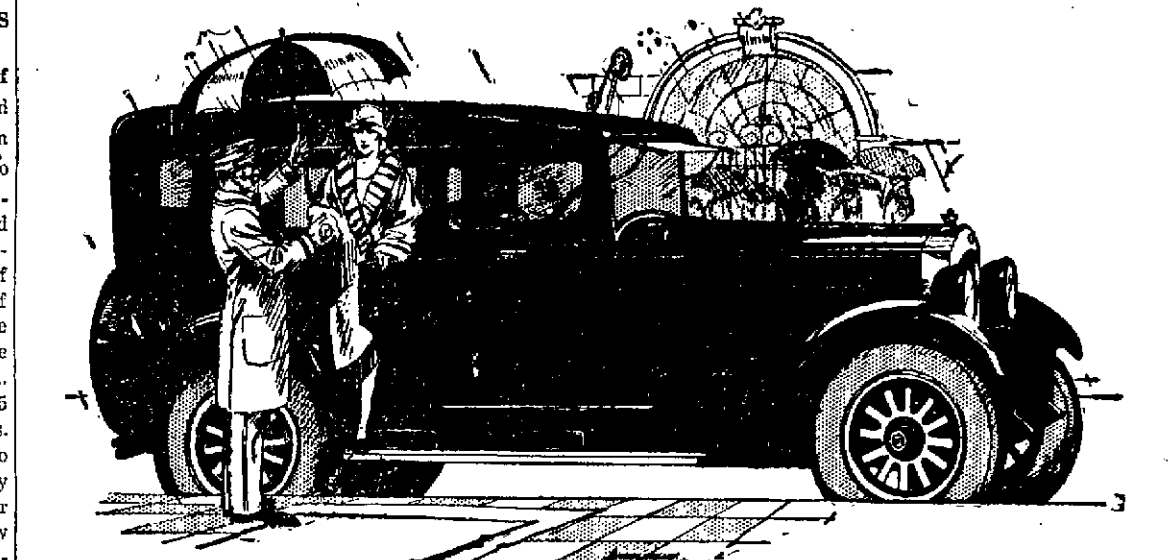
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COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORT ENDING WEEK OF DEC. 6

Influenza, with 396 cases, ranks first among the communicable diseases in Texas for the past week as reported by Dr. Malone Duggan, State Health Officer, to Hugh S. Cummings, Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service. Chick

enpox with 141 cases, tuberculosis with 120, and pneumonia with 50 come second, third and fourth. The following diseases were also reported: anthrax 3, dengue 40, dysentery 15, diphtheria 52, lethargic encephalitis 1, Malta fever 2, measles 16, mumps 42, ophthalmia neonatorum 2, pellagra 28, rabies 1, scarlet fever 48, smallpox 15, tetanus 1, trachoma 10, typhoid fever 39, paratyphoid 2, and whooping cough 43.

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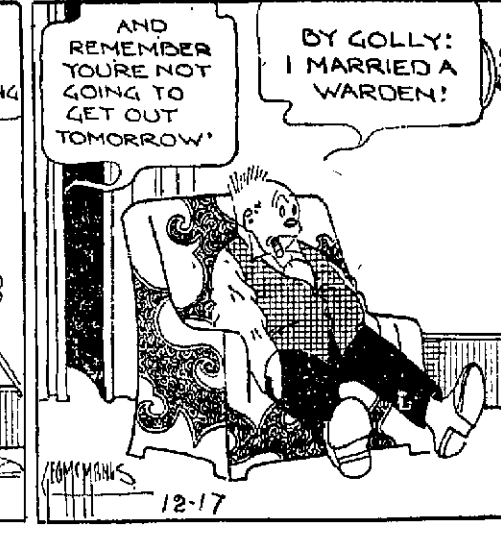
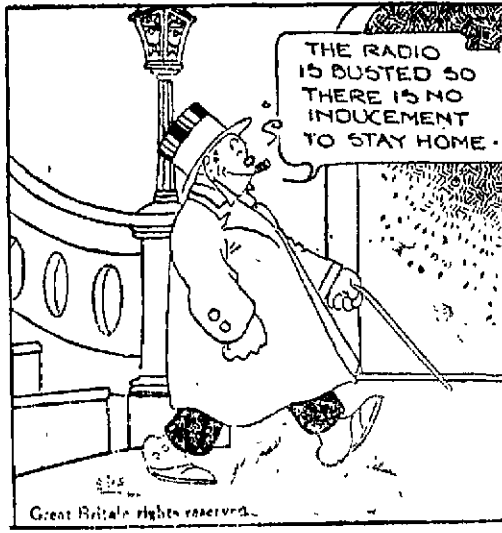
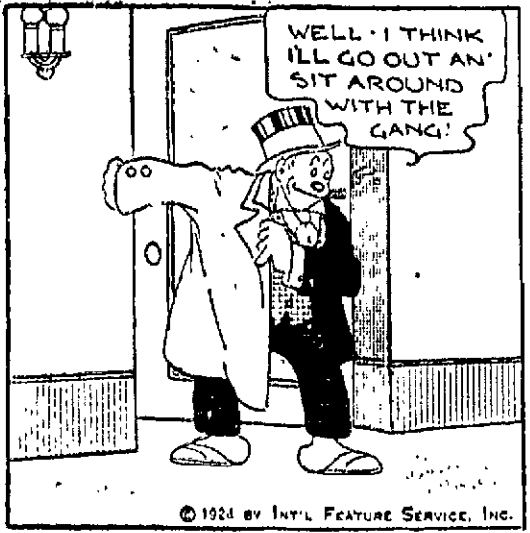
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FOR RENT—Rooms for six men, 322 Palestine. 16X2

FOR RENT—Unfurnished house-keeping rooms, two furnished bed rooms. 603 S. Ross Ave, phone 11W. 17X3

FOR RENT—Furnished light house-keeping rooms. Also bedrooms. Place for car. 501 S. Kaufman St. 16X3

ROOM for two gentlemen, close in, 613 N. Sherman. 16X2

FOR RENT—Front bed room, private bath. 205 S. Ross or call 101J. 16X

#### Wanted

WANTED—Small set of books to keep at spare time or would consider a position bookkeeping 20 years experience in this line, address box 41 in care News. 16X3

LET US do your carpenter work, no job too large or too small, twenty-five years in the business, all work guaranteed. Mr. Kirk, phone 6025-F. 11X7

#### Help Wanted

WANTED—Girls, good clean healthy work. New Way Laundry, phone 530. 12X7

WANTED—Colored woman to cook, one who knows the duties of household work, references required, phone 68W, or call at 511 E. Hopkins. 11X6

WANTED—A first class solicitor, apply at American Dry Cleaners. 10X2

WANTED—Good bread baker, must be experienced, apply at Mexia Steam Bakery, 233 E. Tyler St. 15X3

#### For Rent

FOR RENT—3 room house, water and lights, call 720, Palestine, cheap. 15X3

FOR RENT—Ford truck with driver, 12.50 per day. See A. E. Herman at Sturtevant Auto Supply Co., call 797W. 12X7

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FOR SALE—Filling station in Wortham, established business. Box 150, in care News. 17X2

FOR SALE—One large roller top office desk, cheap for cash. Apply Room 10 Ross & Green Bldg or Box 643. 17T2

FOR SALE—Sorghum Hay, see J. L. Thompson, phone 185. 16X2

FOR SALE—2 beds, mattresses and springs, 1 dresser, 1 wash stand, 3 chairs, phone 717J or call at corner of Hunt and N. McKinney Sts. 16X2

FOR SALE—10x50 cot tent with 21 steel cots all set up and everything furnished, all ready for business, or it can be easily moved, see at Young rooms, 207 S. Red River St. or phone 687W. 14X7

FOR SALE—1 span of black horse mules weighing eleven hundred pounds a piece ages 7 and 8 years, see H. A. Harris, 410 East Carthage St., phone 85. 15X6

MAKE me a cash offer one one thousand dollar stock Mexia Textile Mill. Address "Cotton Mill" in care News. 14X3

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FOR SALE—5 room house on South Sherman close in, part cash, balance terms to suit buyer, call 171 or 609F. 14X7

FOR SALE—Five room and bath well constructed house on double lot \$2500.00 cash, phone McGowan 136. 14X3

FOR SALE—Residence lots, lights, water, gas and sewer. Close to pavements, easy term. It will pay to investigate this offer. CARL DAVIS, phone 399. R-31-30

FOR SALE—My home on McKinney Street, four acres of land, two acres front on R. R. will sell separate from home. See W. B. Jackson. 11X7

FOR SALE—Five room house on pavement. Phone 45 for information. 16X2

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33 to 35.9 gravity ..... 1.10  
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Corsicana, light (Powell)..... 1.25  
Corsicana, heavy ..... .90  
Mexia ..... 1.25  
Currie ..... 1.25  
Thrall ..... 1.00

Ranger.

30 and below ..... .90  
30 to 32.9 gravity ..... 1.10  
33 to 35.9 gravity ..... 1.25  
36 and above ..... 1.35

Wichita and Archer Counties

30 and below ..... .75  
30 to 32.9 gravity ..... .90  
33 to 35.9 gravity ..... 1.10  
36 and above ..... 1.25

Moran Crude.

30 and below ..... .75  
33 to 35.9 gravity ..... 1.10

South Texas

Mirando (Texpatha) ..... .90  
Mirando (Magnolia) ..... .75

Somerset.

25 gravity and above ..... .95  
Below 25 gravity ..... .85

Gulf Coast.

Grade A ..... 1.50  
Grade A at Blue Ridge, Bull and Pierce Junction ..... 1.25  
Luling ..... .90

East Texas.

Nacogdoches shallow oil..... 2.00  
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North Bound.

No. 19 Denon-Ft.W. ....3:55 a. m.  
No. 17 Dallas-FLW. ....4:30 a. m.  
No. 37 Dallas-FLW. ....4:59 a. m.  
No. 31 Dallas .....1:30 p. m.  
No. 15 Dallas-Ft.W. ....3:31 p. m.  
No. 33 Ennis .....7:10 p. m.

South Bound.

No. 20 Houston .....12:16 a. m.  
No. 38 Austin-SA .....12:21 a. m.  
No. 18 Houston .....1:37 a. m.  
No. 34 From Ennis-Stp. ....7:15 a. m.  
No. 32 From Dallas-Stp. ....10:08 a. m.  
No. 16 Houston-SA .....11:55 a. m.

Cut-Off.

345 From Navasota-stp .....1:47 p. m.  
345 For Navasota-Lv .....7:00 a. m.

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No. 8 .....2:31 P. M.

South Bound.

No. 7 .....12:24 P. M.

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### SCOTTISH RITE COUNCIL FORMED IN VIRGINIA

RICHMOND, Va.—At the request of Robert S. Crump, 33 degree, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Scottish Rite in Virginia, representatives of the seven Valleys in this state met here to organize a Scottish Rite Council of Virginia. Similar organizations in other state were discussed and by unanimous vote a temporary organization was formed and by-laws for its operation were drawn up.

The committee on publication of the Virginia Scottish Rite Bulletin, "Educational News," formerly consisted of a representative from each Valley in the State. This committee has been supplemented by four additional members, and by action of the Scottish Rite Council of Virginia will become a standing committee of the Council and will be known as the Educational Committee.

A. G. Koenig, former superintendent of Mexia schools, now living in Denton, was in the city Tuesday looking after his business interests here being interested in the J. I. Riddle Furniture company.

Mexia Churches welcome you.

### WINTER TOPS

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# BODY OF SAMUEL GOMPERS LIES IN STATE IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The body of Samuel Gompers, veteran labor leader, lay in state at the Elks Club here today while thousands of admirers from New York and other cities filed by to pay their last tribute of respect.

The funeral train arrived here from Washington at 7:30 a. m., and the body was immediately carried to the club, where it will remain until 8 a. m. tomorrow. During the 24-hour period, members of the Elks, Masons and other fraternal orders will serve as guards of honor.

Mrs. Gompers and members of the family arrived with the funeral train. Interment will be tomorrow at Sleepy Hollow cemetery, at Tarrytown, N. Y.

A SHUT OUT.

The larger oil companies in the Wortham area have requested their physicians to give out no more reports of accidents. Many people have asked us why we are not printing them. At Corsicana and Mexia the physicians are giving these reports out but in Wortham there is nothing doing. We consider this an unfair act.—Wortham Oil News

The physicians in Mexia have also

received the same instructions. All reports appearing in the Mexia Daily News are received through some other source, than through the local physicians.

**EXPRESSION OF THANKS.**

The relatives want to thank the many friends rendering so much assistance during the illness and death of our beloved father T. A. Stockton who died at the home of his daughter Mrs. Ben Hickman at Mexia December 15th. Your kindness and sympathy we appreciate and will be long remembered.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hickman, Mrs. Maggie Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Leuschner, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Blanchard, E. G. Salser, M. L. Stockton, T. J. Stockton.

Miss Juanita Wallace was a visitor in Waco Tuesday, she was accompanied home from that place by her sister, Miss Verna Wallace who is attending school at Southwestern.

LOST, Strayed or stolen, 1 sorrel mule with dark mane about 15 1/2 or 16 hands high, 1 sorrel mule about 15 hands high, red or roan mane (both horse mules) were necked together when last seen, largest mule has small brand on left jaw. Reward for return of same to F. R. KLOTZ, Mexia, Texas. 17X1

Who has a good high class car they want to trade for a quarter section of land in the proposed oil basin of North Dakota, also good farm land, address box 763, Mexia, Texas. 17X1

WILL furnish one room for light-housekeeping, 205 Kenedy St. Just off Palestine. 17X1

# LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll and toy buggy, and a toy store. A set of toy dishes, please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
BUTH FULLER.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, a doll dress and nuts, candy fruit, and cradle sum dishes. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
RUBY ROBESON.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pair of skates, a train, a wagon, and some nuts, candy and fruit. Remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
RUFUS HOGES.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy, I wish you would bring me a tool chest and boxgoves and candy, fruit, fireworks and candy, fruit, fireworks and don't forget my teacher Miss Wallace and Daddy and Mother. With lots of love,  
MARSHALL LANBERTH.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have so many nice things, I don't know what I want you to bring me this time. Please bring me a ring, pair of gloves, story books, a little doll and a few small toys. I am a little girl six years old, my Daddy name is B. F. Brien

and he has a store so I get candy, nuts, cakes and soda water anytime I want it. Please be nice to other little girls and boys, Goodbye Santa,

CLEO BRIEN,  
Route 1, Mexia.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a wagon, a story book, a ball, three sets of tinker toys, a coon jigger, some nuts and candy fruit. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
PRESTON JACKSON.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll and some

skates. A pair of house shoes and a story book. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
JUANITA JAMES.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a jumping rope and some jacks, ball and a set of dishes, nuts, candy and fruit. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
MARGUERETTA COX.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am just a boy 13 years old and go to school every day, I am hoping you will bring me a pair of skates, a big harp and some fruit,

candy and nuts.

I have been a good boy. With love, your friend,  
WILLIAM SMITH.

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W. W. Walters was a visitor from Houston today.

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### Ladies Silk Hose

—One big lot of Christmas Silk Hose in all colors, special Thursday at per pair... \$1

### Suit Cases, Gladstones Hand Bags

—\$5.00 off on any Suit Case, Gladstone or Traveling Bag selling up to \$24.50 for tomorrow only.

### Edwin Clapp Shoes

—\$2.00 off of any pair of Edwin Clapp Shoes in our entire department. This is a mighty good time to buy your Christmas Shoes.

### Men's Silk Sox

—One lot of men's Silk Sox, all colors, very acceptable for Christmas gifts, regularly selling for \$1.25 per pair, tomorrow only per pair... \$1

### Ladies Fiber Silk Suits

—One lot of 36 inch plaid suits, \$1.00 grade, special tomorrow only at 2 yards... \$1

### Ladies' Hats

—Any ladies winter hat in our department can be bought tomorrow for each... \$1

### Huck Towels

—One big lot of huck towels, regularly selling at 25c per pair, tomorrow 10 towels... \$1

### Hose

—Splendid quality fiber silk hose; all colors; reinforced heels and toes. Special for tomorrow at 2 pair for... \$1

### Hope Domestic

—Come load up at this price. All you want for Dollar Day at 7 yards for... \$1

### Boys Unions

—Offering for tomorrow only one big lot of boy's knit union suits, regularly selling at \$1.25 each, tomorrow only each... \$1

### Dress Gingham

—A very pretty lot of dress gingham; 27 inches wide; assorted patterns in stripes and checks. Regularly selling at 15c per yard; tomorrow only 8 yards for... \$1

### Napkins

—Gift napkins. Any lady who has a home will appreciate napkins. They are always so useful. One lot specially priced for tomorrow at 12 for... \$1

### Serpentine Crepe

—Offering for tomorrow only one big lot of Serpentine Crepe; regularly selling at 35c per yd. Special for tomorrow at 4 yards for... \$1

### Madras

—One big lot of 36 inch madras, 36 inches wide, regularly selling at 50c per yard, tomorrow only 3 yards for... \$1

### French Gingham

—In all the new shades and patterns; 32-inches wide; on sale Dollar Day at the special price of 3 yards for... \$1

### Sheets

—One big lot of 72x90 sheets made of good grade material. Special for tomorrow at each... \$1

### Pillow Cases

—One lot of pillow cases, worth 25c each, tomorrow only 5 for... \$1

### Mens' Unions

—One lot of men's ankle length knit union suits, \$1.25 values, tomorrow each suit... \$1

### Curtain Scrim

—One big lot of curtain scrim selling regularly for 50c per yard, tomorrow only 3 yards for... \$1

### Boys Night Shirts

—One lot of boys outing flannel night shirts; regularly selling at \$1.50 each; tomorrow only each... \$1

### Brown Domestic

—We place on sale for Dollar Day one lot of 36 inch Brown Domestic; our 15c grade; tomorrow only 10 yards for... \$1

### Dress Flannel

—One lot of dress flannel, \$1.50 grade, special for Thursday only at the yard... \$1

### Bleached Domestic

—36 inches wide, very special for tomorrow at 10 yards... \$1

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"THE STORE AHEAD"



## Mrs. J. K. Hughes Simmons 1 Comes In Late Tuesday

# ROAD BONDS CARRY 10 TO 1

## Humphreys-Boyd, Simmons 3 Comes In About Noon

### ANOTHER RECORD SHATTERED BY SPECTACULAR WILDCATTER

The third well for the Humphreys Boyd Oil Company in the Wortham field, of its discovery, came in at 11:15 this morning, when the company's Simmons 3 came in for an estimated production of between 8,000 and 10,000 barrels per day.

The Company's first well, the discovery well on the N. B. Boyd came in Friday before Thanksgiving; its Simmons 1, the first great gusher of the field came in on bright Thanksgiving afternoon, the first producing oil well in Freestone County. That was less than three weeks ago. Today, the third came in, adding greatly to the daily production of the company in the Wortham district. There are now seven producers in the field, and before Thursday night, the company expects to add its Simmons 4 to the producing group. The latter is now drilling in. The number 3 Simmons is an offset North of the Simmons 1, while the Simmons 4 is west of the Simmons 1. The Company has 8 operations on this lease, all of which will be completions before the first day of January when the Prairie Pipe Line Company is to pay the first payment, amounting to \$1,000,000 for the 3,000,000 barrels of oil at \$1.25 which Colonel A. E. Humphreys recently sold to that company. The number 5 is next to be drilled in.

The gas pressure was unusually heavy in the Simmons 3, which prevented it from drilling to the depths that other wells in that district have gone. It is understood to have stopped at around 2970 feet.

**RECORD ESTABLISHED.**

By Thursday night, the first oil to be run into a new 55,000 barrels steel storage tank, will be rushing from the Simmons lease to a 55 constructed by the Humphreys Boyd Company on its Carter tank farm. This tank has broken all records for speedy construction. By the time the huge reservoir is done, the Prairie Company will have completed its line to it from the Simmons lease and the work of storing Wortham crude will be under way. Not in the history of the oil business has such a record been made or approximated. It has been made possible due to the foresight of Colonel Humphreys who had the material rolling to Mexia for the storage before the discovery well was a producer and even when, to others, the outcome of that test was in doubt.

**ANOTHER ONE.**

Another record has been broken for the company by the firm of Branson and Murray, rig contractors. In 21 days, they have built 45 derricks for the Humphreys Boyd Company, all of which will be going down to the rich pay in a few days.

### Coolidge Takes Hand In Late Congress Problem

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—President Coolidge took a hand in the legislative quandary in congress today, and as a result it has been ordered that every effort be made to prevent a vote on the postal salaries bill in the Senate before Christmas. It is expected that congress will not entirely fall in line with the president on the policy. Discouraging investigations of conditions in the navy and a comparison of strength with other navies, evidence of this was seen when the House Naval Affairs Committee went ahead on a prearranged plan to question Secretary Wilburn.

### MEXIA LADY TO COMPLETE THREE MORE WELLS SOON

Many friends of Mrs. J. K. Hughes of this city went to the field about noon Tuesday to witness the bailing and coming in of the first well she has ever drilled and the first any woman in East Central Texas has ever drilled. On account of the connections with pipe lines being a little late, bailing was delayed several hours and did not start until about 4:50. Within 40 minutes, the gusher broke loose. It was known beforehand that it was to be a big well and precautions were taken to direct it immediately into lease storage and pipe lines. But it broke away and went gushing to the top of the derrick. It was about 5:30 and the shadows of night were coming but camera men for the Palace Local Events section of the Dallas Times-Herald were on the lease and secured moving pictures of the event to be shown on screens probably throughout the country. The flush for the first few minutes indicated that it was even bigger than had been expected. A thirteen hour gauge test, which ended this morning, showed that in that time, it had poured out 4307 barrels, indicating that its first twenty four hours run will yield between 8,000 and 9,000 barrels. The Humble Pipe Line Company has laid a six inch line to the well to take care of the production.

Mrs. Hughes Simmons 1, is located on the Roy Simmons farm, just outside of Wortham to the South. It is about 1,000 feet northeast of the Humphreys Boyd Simmons 1 gusher which came in Thanksgiving day as Freestone county's first oil well. She has ten acres in her lease, on which three other wells are being rushed down to the Woodbine sands in the midst of what is said to be the busiest nest of derricks in the oil world today. Before the month is up, it is expected these additional wells will be placed in the production column.

This Mexia lady is being congratulated by her host of friends here, messages are being wired and written to her from friends elsewhere, while the fame of her new fortune and achievement have been carried to the four corners of the country.

Mrs. Hughes has always been recognized as an expert in the oil game since she first came with her husband to Mexia, when the various Hughes organizations came into being. In the boom times of 1921 and 1922 she was at her desk by the side of Mr. Hughes early and late, advising, encouraging and helping him in his successes. As the companies waxed in strength and the way pointed to continued successes for the various companies, Mrs. Hughes, who is of a retiring and amiable disposition, left the office and went to her home on McKinney Street, where she has taken a deep interest in church and charity work, visiting the office only occasionally. Her advice in the old days was considered and sought seriously.

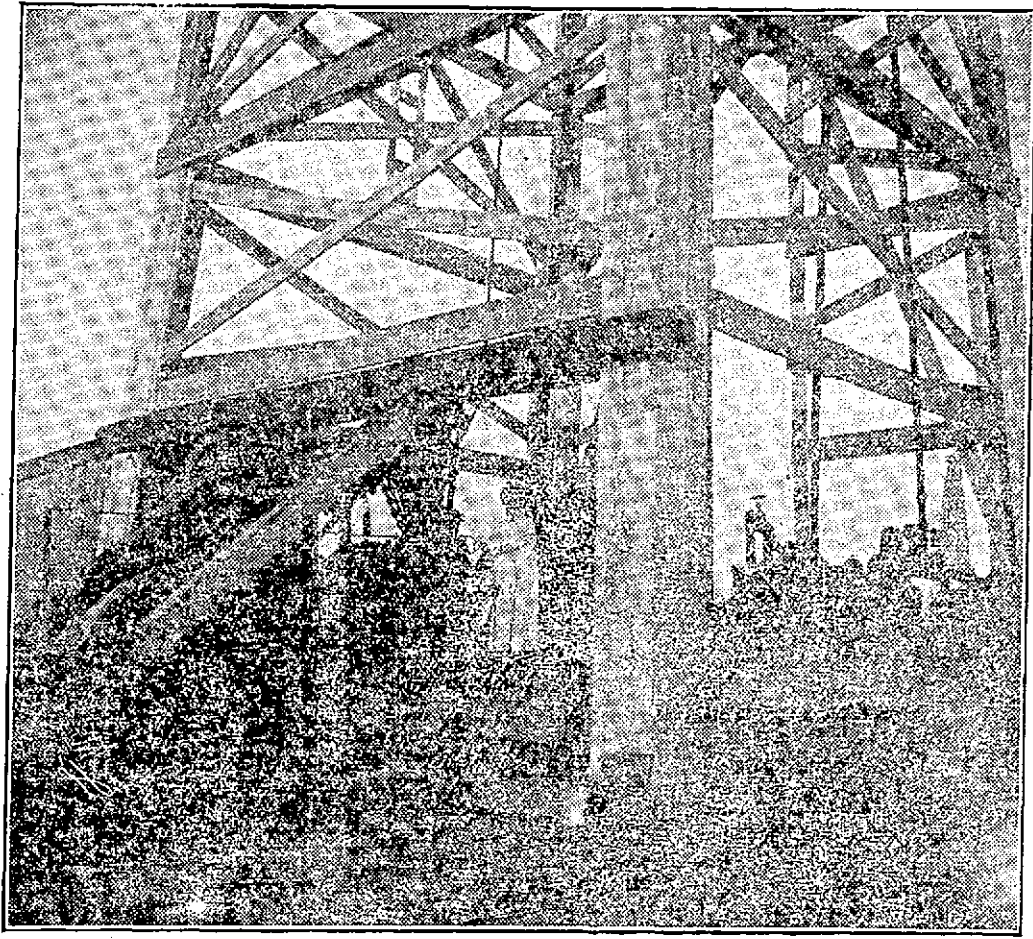
Last Spring while she was on one of her visits down town, she overheard a lease offered operators here who rejected it. She was immediately interested and closed a deal for the Simmons acreage which she now has. Following the discovery of the field, she immediately made arrangements to drill not only one well but four wells on her ten acres. She made the locations herself and pulled the lever when the Number 1 was spudded in.

She has thus proven equal to the reputation she sustained three years ago, but the chances are highly probable that when she completes her present drilling campaign she will be content to let the men "carry on," unless somebody let's a good thing get by and then if she is around, she may be heard from again in the oil fields.

G. T. Bowman was here from Ranger Tuesday.

J. F. Tucker of Houston was in the city today.

### Mrs. J. K. Hughes of Mexia



First woman operator in Central Texas to bring in an oil well. Her Simmons 1 gusher came in late Tuesday on a lease she purchased and financed, and who is here shown pulling the lever when the well was spudded in near Wortham.

### Hardy Eubanks, President Mexia Chamber Of Commerce Happiest Man In Texas When Bonds Carry

A. Hardy Eubanks, President of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce, was one of the happiest men in Texas Tuesday night when it was known that the vote for the \$1,571,000 road bonds had carried in Mexia by about 30 to 1 and thru-out the Consolidated district 4 by more than 10 to 1. No oil operator ever wore a broader smile when his well came in than Mr. Eubanks, as the returns from the neighboring boxes came in. "By Mexia's Act," Mr. Eubanks stated, "this municipality wiped out her city limits and lines or extended them many miles in all direction. Our people proved to their neighbors in Limestone County that they are Welcome to Mexia, welcome here on all occasions and for all purposes, to help build for themselves or to help build for others. And equally gratifying is it to realize that by their interest, acts and votes our neighbors have shown that they were anxious to be incorporated as one of us, one with us and one for us. We are for them stronger than ever."

Asked as to what he thought the passage of the bond election means to the community, Mr. Eubanks declared that in his opinion it was the greatest single achievement at the polls that has been accomplished here and in the district in many years. It means more people, more of the kind of people that we want and need. It means more happy homes, better churches, better schools, more permanent improvements. It means the enrichment of the "Man with the Hoe" as it increases the value of his farm and field. It means more work and better living conditions for the Tin Bucket Brigade. It means more business of that legitimate sort which builds for the future.

He also stated that he wanted to thank every voter who went to the polls for their interest displayed and for everyone who had any part whatever, large or small, in making the record breaking victory a reality.

"First of all I want to thank The Mexia Daily News. Its great fight has won the eternal gratitude of this people. Its columns were contributed generously for the well written articles that appeared. Its editorials were convincing, fair, just,

truthful, thorough and to the point. I want to say the same thing for The Mexia Weekly Herald. Jere Cason, our Chamber of Commerce, deserves unstinted praise for his valuable work. He labored long and late, putting his heart, his head and his feet and hands into the campaign. There were others too, many of them, who went into the campaign, as if it were a personal business deal, sacrificing their time and the demands of their own business in going to the boxes of the Consolidated district where they lent their presence and their speech, their influence and their support to the cause of the campaign. Also, I want to thank the citizens of every box in the district for the gracious way which they welcomed us and for the part many in these places played in the success of Tuesday. I cannot say too much in praise for those good people in every box in the district. The results have been commensurate with the labor and what little I did, I felt amply repaid from the very moment the victory, which I never questioned, was known."

### Big Suit Against Oil Directors

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Dec. 17.—Suit for \$635,000 damages has been filed by the Sunshine Consolidated Oil Company here against four directors of the concern, the claim growing out of receivership proceedings filed by the directors. The company, the petition claimed, has been damaged to that amount by the receivership action which was vacated by the court.

### GIFTS GOING OUT FOR FRIENDS ELSEWHERE

Christmas packages are being mailed out in great numbers here daily. The parcel post window is doing a rushing business, while the mail pouches going to the trains are shown bulging with the big volume of holiday mail. The people are urged not to wait until the last moment to send out their gifts if they want them to get to their destinations by Christmas.

### SMITH COMPANY EDWARDS 1 IS DUE TO COME IN SOON

E. L. Smith Oil Company's Edwards 1, south offset to the Penn McCorkle 1, east of Wortham's railroad station a few blocks, is expected in by Thursday. This well began drilling in Tuesday and is being watched with much interest. It is believed to be certain for production of gusher proportions.

The Company brought in its Beall 1, the first producer of this week, which has already contributed three big wells to the production column of the Wortham pool.

In addition to this several other operations are making rapid headway downwards on leases owned by this company. Both E. L. Smith and Vice President Blake Smith are in the field constantly looking after their extensive interests. The Company is also constructing a tank farm North of Mexia about three miles.

### Old Case Against Thaw Dismissed

[International News Service]

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The indictment against Harry K. Thaw, charging kidnapping and assault in the second degree in connection with Thaw's attack upon Frederick Gump Kansas City youth, was dismissed by the general session court today. The dismissal was recommended on the grounds that Gump is now married and living at Long Beach, California and does not wish to press the charges. The attack on Gump took place in a New York hotel, where Thaw confined the boy after luring him east. Shortly after the indictments were returned Thaw was found with his wrists and throat slashed in a suicide attempt. He had been adjudged insane and confined in "Kirkbride's" asylum for seven years. The jury found that Thaw was sane. Last spring he came to New York and gave bond in connection with the Gump indictments.

Jack Womack, Jr. has returned from Rice Institute to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents here.

### MEXIA STRONG FOR ISSUE AS THOSE FOR OUTNUMBER THOSE AGAINST SOME 30 TO 1

The road bond election which called the citizens of Consolidated Road District 4 to the polls Tuesday, swept into victory throughout the district by a majority so overwhelming that it probably established a record for bond issues of such proportions in Texas and in the Southwest. The vote in all boxes was small but larger than some anticipated, in view of the strain and rush of business through which this city and her neighbors are now passing. The total tabulation shows that 724 votes were cast of which only 65 were against and 659 for, being more

than 10 to 1 for the issuance of the bonds.

The vote at Mexia stood 511 for to 18 against, being almost 30 to 1.

By the provisions of the issue, \$271,000 of the \$1,571,000 is to be used to take up outstanding road bonds and the remaining \$1,300,000 is to be utilized in paving and graveling a total of more than 70 miles of highways and roads in the Consolidated road district 4, which is composed of road districts 12, 16 and the old road district 4.

Forest Glade, Shiloh, Tehuacana and their near neighbors voted on the bonds, being included in the consolidated district.

The vote at Forest Glade stood 53 for and 3 against. The citizens there have ridden over the pavement from their magnificent school house to Mexia until they realize the advantages, the convenience and the value of good roads more fully probably than any other of the boxes which accounts for the big vote for and the small vote against.

The vote at Shiloh stood 30 for and 24 against. It was noticeable that this was the only box where the vote did not carry by the necessary two thirds majority, yet a big majority for the issue was polled. It has been a matter of comment that the unusually large vote against was cast there in view of the fact that the voting of the bonds has meant a uniform tax throughout the district for road building and maintenance purposes and means a reduction of the taxes for the Shiloh road district from \$1.75 to 40 cents.

The vote at Tehuacana stood 56 for to 20 against. The passage of the bonds means the pavement of the Lone Star Trail to the seat of Westminster College at Tehuacana, over the hill several miles to the precinct line, near Coolidge.

Since the successful carrying of the bonds, it is not likely that the citizens of Limestone County will be called to the polls soon to vote on a county wide road bond issue.

By virtue of the passage of the bonds other important highways will be paved to the limits of the Consolidated Road district and additional miles of roads, known as laterals or county roads, will be gravelled, in some instances to the very heart of as fertile a farming section as can be found in East Central Texas.

Just when the actual construction work is to begin is not yet known. The bonds will have to be approved and sold and contracts let. However, everything will be done to expedite matters and to clear the way for the additional improvements as early as possible or stand.

The news of the stand for good roads taken Tuesday by the people of this Consolidated road district has already gone to millions of citizens, through the medium of the press. Favorable attention thus has again been drawn to the section aside from the stories that illuminate papers in every state in the Union regarding oil activities here.

In the midst of the excitement and rush, the citizenship paused to vote for permanent improvements of such a volume as to provoke the general verdict that it was the biggest achievement in many years, if not in all the history of the district, except where the people voted on bonds for their schools.

### SCRIPT DANCE AT POLO CLUB HOUSE

An invitation script dance will be given at the Pure Oil Company's Club House at the Reunion Grounds Tuesday night. Bill Franklin's famous six piece orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion, although this orchestra is making its first appearance in Mexia it has already won a reputation since coming south for a tour during the winter months. Some of the college set has already arrived for the Yuletide holidays and a large crowd is expected.

### INAUGURAL BALL TO BE EVENT OF NOTE IN AUSTIN

[By United Press]

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 17.—With the installation of "Ma" Ferguson more than a month away, plans went ahead here today to make the inaugural ceremonies of the State's first woman Governor stand out in as bold relief as her election.

Tentative arrangements call for the entertainment of 100,000 visitors at the inaugural ball and reception the night of Jan. 20, according to J. L. Peeler, chairman of the inaugural committee.

Seventy-five hundred formal invitations to the inaugural will be mailed out this week and other quotas will be dispatched later in the week.

### Burk Burnett's Widow Is Dead In Fort Worth

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Mary Couts Burnett, widow of the late S. Burk Burnett, millionaire oil and cattleman, is dead.

Mrs. Burnett died late yesterday, the result of a paralytic last Friday. She had failed steadily since she was stricken.

Funeral arrangements will be announced today.

A year ago Mrs. Burnett drafted a will placing her \$4,000,000 estate in trust for use of Texas Christian University.

### Thieves Stole Wernher Jewels

[International News Service]

LONDON, Dec. 17.—A story of how a gang of expert American thieves stole the famous Wernher collection of pearls June 11th on behalf of an aged Chicago millionaire collector was printed in the Evening News today. The millionaire, not named, collaborated with the thieves minutely planning the coupe and specifying the pieces wanted. Giving them a time schedule on which to work, the story said, the thieves arrived in New York with the gems and telephoned the Chicago residence of the collector. The butler replied "master died an hour ago," the story said.

The News would be glad to receive any information in regard to the return of the College students for the Christmas holidays.

J. G. McClintock and wife were here from Wichita Falls Monday.

W. A. Martin was here from Corsicana Monday.



### Homeseekers Are Reaching Wortham Rapidly Today

H. O. Tatum, Secretary of the Wortham Chamber of Commerce, and one of the most capable men of the profession was in Mexia this afternoon. He states that Wortham is today witnessing larger crowds of homeseekers than ever. The thriving city is doing its very best to measure up to the occasion and there is a friendly spirit of co-Mexia which is gratifying to the citizens of both places.

**PEAK SIX MONTHS AWAY.**  
All the big operators are said to be raising their estimates of the life of the Wortham field. Col. A. E. Humphreys, pioneer of this and the Mexia and Powell fields, was quoted today as saying that the peak of production in Wortham might not be reached for six months.

In the meanwhile, the oil field army keeps rolling in. They are sleeping in the fields by the hundreds.

Lawlessness so far has been small. Sheriff Dave Terry, with a squad of deputies, has moved to Wortham from Fairfield, the Freestone county seat. Ranger Burton, of Waco, is on the job. Jim Wasson, Wortham man, has responded to a call to organize a Wortham police force.

But the field is taking on more of the livelier atmosphere of oildom every day.

#### TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM.

Casing and boilers, boilers and casing, and more of each—that's around Worth. Black boilers, red boilers, white boilers, boilers on freight cars, boilers on trucks, boilers behind eight-horse teams; boilers dumped on end in the cotton fields, while the rigs go up; hundreds of boilers hissing in chorus as they drive down the almighty drill. From the Mexia pike, seven miles away, the Wortham field shows a solid phalanx of new pipe derricks by day. Dwarfed by distance into a close-set, shimmering forest. At night, each derrick is strung with lights, and often a colored light at the top, seen from the distance like a forest fire, or masked Christmas trees. Down among the plows and pipe line gangs are toiling and the trucks and teams struggle across fields which recently were cotton, with their casing and boiler loads.

#### MARLIN NEGROES DEFEAT MEXIA GRIDSTERS

The Marlin negro high school football team defeated the Mexia negro high school squad at Marlin Friday afternoon by the score of 29 to 0.

Miles was the outstanding star for Marlin, making two touchdowns, while Cammon crossed the goal line for the third one.

The contest was witnessed by a good crowd at Rimes Park in Marlin, including a number of white fans.

#### AMERICA TAKES TO TEA.

(New York Tribune.)  
Afternoon tea is growing. There are private houses where it is served every afternoon now, instead of only on Sundays, and there are even obscure rumors about officers. And in spite of its softening influence on the free spirit of a pioneer people there are some things to be said for it. It sheds a luster—and it has taught the British how to talk. It might almost do as much for us.

E. L. Smith, President of the E. L. Smith Oil Company, and other citizens of Mexia who were students of Wesley College when located at Terrell are elated over the winning by that college of the state football championship. Mr. Smith was an end on the Wesley eleven in his school days and catcher for the Wesley baseball team.

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#### THE ROADS

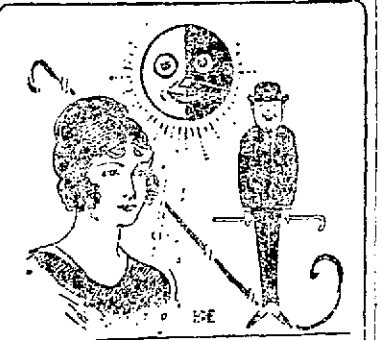
By H. S. Osborne

"Bumpety-bump," groaned the safety treads.  
"Rattletty-bang!" cried the brake.  
"It's a terrible thing," then squeaked the spring.  
"An all-day sort of a shake!"  
"Oh, where are we going?" the engine cried,  
"My head is a-throbbing to burst!"  
"I'll give it my veto," declared the magneto,  
"This road's absolutely the worst!"

"Not much of a lark," then sputtered the spark,  
"It's enough to drive one into fits."  
"It's nothing but jar," cried the floor of the car,  
"I declare I am shaken to bits!"  
"They ought to know better," remarked the carburetor,  
"This talking of fixing them's bunk!"  
"Unless the road menders," chimed in all the fenders,  
"Get busy—we all shall be junk."

"I say this is fierce!" exclaimed a big Pierce;  
"Worse than that," cried the Ford,  
"If you please."  
"Now tell me, what maker," put in Studebaker,  
"Expected conditions like these?"  
The Overland hurried—"I'm nervous and flurried.  
I tell you, it's far from a joke!"  
"What a terrible fit," said a new Super-Six,  
"If the roads caused us all to go broke!"

A National muttered—"They're horribly rattled  
And full of big holes; at this rate  
They will soon cease to be—" Roads  
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During this rush bustle and bustle period in our beautiful little city, the citizens are likely to let the resident district of Mexia take care of itself, until a more opportune time for their improvement.

A well kept place is a moral and

at all, we can see,"  
Interrupted a Cadillac 8.  
"I think it is, really," began a big Velie;  
"You're right, I am sure," said a Paige;  
"I know how you feel," cried a Lo-comobile,  
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### Agricultural Will Be The Greatest Ever

[By United Press]  
CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—The temple of agriculture, a \$20,000,000 skyscraper project greater than any now in existence or contemplated, will be a reality here within a few years, Lawrence Whiting, President of the Whiting and Co., Securities House, announced.

Men identified with it include former Governor Frank O. Lowden, William Wrigley Jr., "Chewing Gum King," Colonel Robert W. Stewart, Chairman of the Board of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana and Charles H. Markham, President of the Illinois Central Railroad.

The building will contain 30,000,000 cubic feet 2,500,000 square feet of floor space, Whiting said. It will have a convention hall with a seating capacity of 20,000.

### Would Legalize Boxing In Texas

[By United Press]  
DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 17.—A bill legalizing boxing in the State of Texas, will be introduced at the 1925 session of the State Legislature, J. W. Gardner, president of the Gardner Park Amusement Company, co-author of the measure told the United Press.

Provisions of the measure, as outlined by Gardner, would create a state boxing commission with authority to confer licenses, promotor's charters and suspend pugilists for alleged crookedness.

Fifteen round bouts would be permitted. Pugilists, on signing an agreement, would be required to Post Forfeits, display licenses and a permit from the commission to box.

Promoters would be required to post \$5,000 bond to protect the public against a "Set-Up" be chartered and licensed as a corporation, charge not more than \$5 admission and turn five per cent of the gross receipts over to the State.

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### Wesley College Reaches Finals

#### CONQUERERS OF WESTMINSTER WIN IN FINALS.

Wesley College, the conquerers of Westminster in last Tuesday's game at Greenville, romped away to a 14 to 3 victory over John Tarlton College at Stephenville Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 16th, winning the Junior College football championship for the State of Texas.

With a cloud-screened sky and a light breeze blowing from the south, a crowd of approximately 3,000 people witnessed the final struggle for Championship title. The crowd was thrilled throughout the game by the spectacular playing of Boyd, All-day, Kneiff and McCarty who starred for Wesley, again as they have done in every game this season. Only one or two changes have been made in the powerful Wesley lineup since they eked out a six to nothing victory over the Westminster Wildcats on the local gridiron Nov. 27th.

The stars for John Tarlton were: Johnson, Parry and Jennings, who were the most consistent ground gainers, although they were never able to cross the goal line of the Greenville boys.

Westminster College has made great strides this year in winning

would be held within a maximum of \$1,800 a year.

Gardner said a group of Texas business men was prepared to support the bill. The measure is composed of excerpts taken from bills in effect throughout the United States, he said.

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obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To help neutralize these irritating acids; to help cleanse the kidneys and flush off the body's urinous waste, get four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy here. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days, and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

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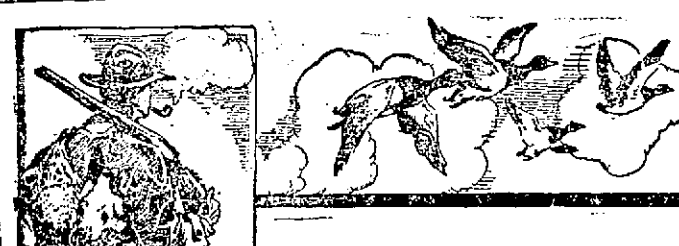
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CITIZENS OF VISION FOUND WORTHY

The citizens of Mexia and of Consolidated Road District 4 of Limestone County did themselves proudly in the \$1,571,000 road bond election of Tuesday. It would be difficult, indeed, to find where a bond issue of such stupendous proportions, involving such a sum, in a community the size of that concerned over the outcome, ever cast such an overwhelming vote in its favor. It is a source of unspeakable gratification to be members of the citizenship of a place that thus lived up to its reputation and to its slogan “The City That Vision Is Building.”

Although chief credit for the successful carrying of the issue individually goes to Hardy Enbanks, Jere Cason and other officials of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce. The News is proud of the part it had to play in the great game of community building through good roads. It fought with its news and editorial columns to the very last moment, not doubtful at any time over the outcome, trustful in the spirit of vision that dominates the progressive spirits of the voters of the city and district but when the results were known, there came that peace that wells up from knowledge of duty done, so overwhelming was the vote for the Bonds.

The News commends those who went to the polls. Whether they voted for or against the issue, their motives are unquestioned, their intelligence unassailed and their loyalty not subject to rebuke. They saw the subject through their own eyes and drew their own conclusions and then voted their conscientious views. Praise be to them for their patriotism.

As the years come rolling on and the more than 70 miles of hard surfaced and gravelled roads add to the prosperity, worth and joys of living and laboring in this Consolidated Road District, they will see a monument they helped to lay. It will not be a towering statue for men to look upon and admire. It will not be carved by a sculptor's skill nor ornamented from base to peak with flourishes of handiwork, for the winds of the tempest to beat against in vain, while men still look up and applaud. But it will be a monument nevertheless, stretching from home to school and church, from farm to factory, from field to marketplace; a monument for men to look down to and bless those who made it possible; a monument to walk upon and work upon; a monument to ride upon and rest upon, and withal making clearer the path and smoother the way for all who pass upon it.

Good road building and proper road maintenance are indeed an achievement worthy of the plaudits of any people.

A NEW ERA DAWNS

Mexia is face to face with a new era in her progress. The voting of the road bonds Tuesday was one of the greatest single achievements this people has ever wrought. By the passage of those bonds, \$1,300,000 has been designated to build more than 70 miles of roads which were designated in the election issue and marked on the map. Every community comprising the consolidated road district made up of road districts 12, 16 and the old district number 4 are to share fairly in the complete network of better roads made possible. Practically every road leading into Mexia is to be paved like her city streets and like the road to Forest Glade which Colonel A. E. Humphreys made possible. The X-All highway is to be paved from the city limits at the end of the paving on Ross Avenue to the Freestone county line, right in front of the field headquarters of the Humble Oil Company which are being built in Limestone county, adjoining the Freestone county line. It will be paved south from Forest Glade to the river. This will give this highway about 12 miles of as fine road as can be found in Texas. The Lone Star Trail will be paved from Ross Avenue to the Freestone County line towards Cotton Gin and Teague. It will be paved West to Tehuacana, over the hill and to within a few miles of Coolidge. Other roads are also to be paved by the provisions of the bond issue. These are mentioned since they are shortest route from coast to coast, it will bear thousands of tourists pass annually in addition to the usual travel. The Lone Star Trail bids fair to be a community asset bigger than a railroad even. Freestone county has voted bonds to improve this highway on to the distant eastern county line where it will be met by good roads that extend clear on across Texas East. In a few years, as the public learns that this is the best and the shortest route from east to coast, it will bear thousands of tourists annually and hundreds of thousands of dollars to Mexia. This is not an enthusiastic piece of guesswork but it is a fact based on statistics known to be reliable and authentic.

Also it is a source of gratification to know that other roads will be well gravelled and properly maintained into the very heart of some of the richest farming areas in East Central Texas.

It is doubtful if any city in Texas, no matter how large it is, has a more complete, systematic, regular and thorough network of paved roads, highways and gravelled roads leading to it than has been made possible through the achievements of Tuesday.

RAYMONDVILLE — The Valley Electric and Ice Company has acquired the local electric light property and will make extensive improvements. A transmission line will be built between Raymondville and San Benito.

SAN BENITO—Construction of an electric transmission line between this city and Matamoros, Mex., is to begin soon by the Valley Electric and Ice Company.

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THE EDITORIAL OF THE DAY

**EARTH HAS GOLDEN CORE?**  
(Watson Davis in Current History Magazine.)  
Geophysicists at the geophysical laboratory of the Carnegie institute of Washington have just announced their conclusion that the earth is made up of four and possibly five layers of material. At the innermost core of the earth there may be immense quantities of gold, platinum and other metals heavier than iron. Around this it is practically certain that there is an irregular sphere of iron about 4200 miles in diameter. From the outer edge of this iron core to the surface is about 1800 miles, a distance that is divided into three layers whose boundaries are not sharply defined. Next to the central iron sphere is a mixed layer of iron and rock which extends to within about 900 miles of the surface. Between this and the crust, which is about thirty-five miles thick, there is a layer resembling that found on the surface of the earth, but containing more magnesia and less silicate. The granites with which we are familiar form only a mere film a few miles deep upon the surface of the earth. The rest of the crust is made up of more basic and more rigid rock.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Clause:  
I am a little girl I go to school at South McKinney St., and sure do like my teacher. I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll that says Mama, some toy dishes and a wrist watch, and don't forget my little brother, bring him a little gun and some fire crackers, candy and nuts, so good bye, Santa. Your loving friend,  
MYRTLE ARCHIBALD.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl twelve years old and I am in the fourth grade, I go to school at South McKinney St. I like my teacher fine. I will tell you next what I want you to bring me. I want a doll that says mama, some dishes and a ring and other things, and don't forget my other sisters. Your loving friend,  
JEWELL ARCHIBALD.

Dear Santa:  
It seems like a long time since I wrote to you last year. Does it seem long to you? But Santa, I've been a mighty good little boy the whole year so please Santa bring me lots of nice things this Xmas. Here's what I want: A rocking horse with pretty yellow spots on him. A big knife with three long blades so I can fight. A nice shiny air rifle. A bicycle. I also want about 5 story books and a cowboy suit and Santa, if you have any

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Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a little dresser and buggy and a pair of house shoes. Please remember other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
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HASKELL—Construction has begun here on the ice plant of the West Texas Utilities Company.



**For Another Season of Wear**  
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# Undefeated S.M.U. Squad Lines Up For Last Struggle

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 17.—S. M. U.'s two year undefeated veterans took up Monday afternoon the task of keeping fit through the holidays to meet West Virginia Wesleyan of Buckhannon, West Virginia, in the intersectional Methodist Championship of the United States on New Year's day at Fair Park Stadium. Up on the edge of the West Virginia mountains on the same day, Bob Higgins started his Bobcats on the last half month's grind with the same aim in view.

The New Year's game will be played between two squads that rely on much the same system of training. Neither undertakes a hard scrimmage in practice. Morrison and Freeland of S. M. U. do not believe in regular scrimmage work and have two years' results to defend their ideas. West Virginia had so long a list of cripples the year through that Higgins could not ask his men in practice.

This latter fact will not affect the New Year's game however. King, Brinkham, Dietrich, and Trayner injured in the big battles of the year have reported for practice and will be in the New Year's game. Fenton, who sustained an injury in the first game of the year with West Virginia, is the only player not expected to participate. He has been out the entire season and may never play again.

Wesleyan has accepted an invitation from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to stop there on the trip to Texas for a two-day practice session. The invitation alone evidences the interest attached to the West Virginian's long trip to Texas.

The New Year's game in Dallas shares with the two in California the same day the interest of the football world.

Seats are already on sale for the New Year's game at the Adolphus Pharmacy in Dallas.

## MASONS LAY WALK BEFORE NEW TEMPLE

DETROIT, Mich.—Using concrete mixers, wheelbarrows, and shovels furnished by members of the Masonic fraternity, one hundred members of the Detroit, Michigan Masonic lodges recently donned overalls and staged a sidewalk laying bee in front of the \$6,500,000 Masonic Temple.

The purpose of the bee was not so much for the sake of accomplishing the work as to give a large number of Masons a part in the actual construction of the new temple. Hundreds of their brother Masons looked on while the sidewalk was being laid.—The New Era.

## PART OF NEW TEMPLE DEDICATED BY MASONS

FORT SCOTT, aKn. Preceding the annual reunion of the Scottish Rite bodies of the city, the first unit of their new temple was dedicated with appropriate ceremony. The principal speaker was Thomas G. Fitch, 33 degree, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Scottish Rite in Kansas. The new temple is a two-unit project, the first unit comprising the stage and auditorium, and the second the banquet room and club rooms, and when completed will be three stories high, costing approximately a half million dollars.

## FURTHERST NORTH FOR CORN

[By United Press] EDMONTON, Alta. — Farthest north for corn has been achieved at the Fort Vermillion experimental farm, 650 miles north of the international boundary, according to a report of the Dominion department of agriculture. Seven commercial varieties of field corn were successfully grown at the farm this year. They were Wisconsin No. 7, White Cap, Yellow Dent, Bailey, Longfellow, Northwestern Dent, Quebec No. 28 and Canada Yellow. The yields ranged from 15½ tons to the acre on the Wisconsin variety to 24½ tons on Longfellow.

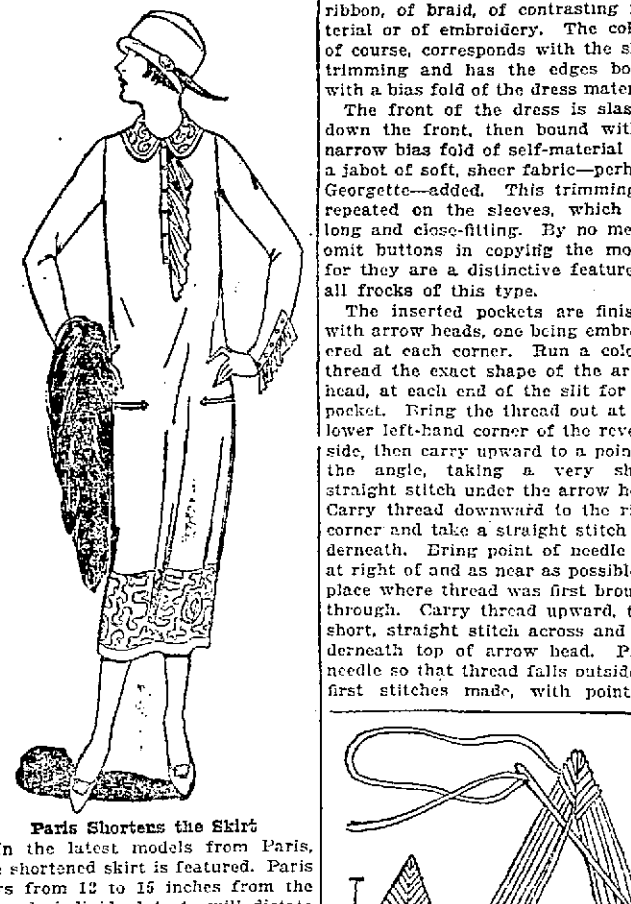
## BEQUEST MADE TO TWO MASONIC HOMES

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—James W. Orr, of this city, who died August 10, 1923, made provision in his will

## HOME DRESSMAKING

By JEANNE ROLAND  
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In the Best Style, and Simple



edge of the skirt may be of fancy ribbon, of braid, of contrasting material or of embroidery. The collar of course, corresponds with the skirt trimming and has the edges bound with a bias fold of the dress material. The front of the dress is slashed down the front, then bound with a narrow bias fold of self-material and a jabot of soft, sheer fabric—perhaps Georgette—added. This trimming is repeated on the sleeves, which are long and close-fitting. By no means omit buttons in copying the model, for they are a distinctive feature of all frocks of this type.

The inserted pockets are finished with arrow heddler. Run a colored thread the exact shape of the arrow head, at each end of the slit for the pocket. Bring the thread out at the lower left-hand corner of the reverse side, then carry upward to a point of the angle, taking a very short, straight stitch under the arrow head. Carry thread downward to the right corner and take a straight stitch underneath. Bring point of needle out at right of and as near as possible to place where thread was first brought through. Carry thread upward, take short, straight stitch across and underneath top of arrow head. Place needle so that thread falls outside of first stitches made, with point of

Paris Shortens the Skirt

In the latest models from Paris, the shortened skirt is featured. Paris says from 12 to 15 inches from the ground; individual taste will dictate what gives one's figure the best line—and that, after all, is the best style.

Paris has done her best in the creation of this frock and she has done it in a way that the home dressmaker is able to follow at reasonable expense and without difficulty as far as sewing is concerned. The model has straight lines and is smartened by little trimming details of utmost effectiveness. The border at the lower

needle outside of left-hand diagonal thread. Carry thread down to right end, with needle to left of thread. Bring out to right of left-hand diagonal stitches. Take stitches at top outside of previous stitches, and those at bottom inside of previous stitches.

Detail of Arrow Head.

## Knights Templar Elect Officers

Coeur de Lion Commandery, Knights Templar, held its regular annual meeting Tuesday night for the election of officers.

The Orders of the Temple were conferred on one Knight of Malta.

Following are the new officers for the ensuing year:

M. B. Webb, E. C. Rod Fielder, Genlo. Oscar Denning, Capt. Gen. T. O. Meador, S. W. Marvin Suttle, J. W. Rev. E. H. Hudson, Pricate. A. M. Stevens, Treasurer. T. A. Griffith, Recorder. Carl Nelly, St. Br. Herman Stokes, Sw. Br. Dr. Roy Leamon, Warder. Charlie Henderson, Sentinel.

These officers will be installed Christmas morning at 10:30, after which a Christmas service will be held, conducted by Sir Knights W. B. Andrews and E. H. Hudson.

This Christmas service is ordered held by the grand commander, and all members are required to attend or show good cause why not.

## COLLEGE SET SOON TO RETURN FOR HOLIDAYS

Since the coming of the boom, gaiety has almost forsaken Mexia, with the exceptions of the High School set. Many of the younger people will be glad to note that with the return of the college students, most of whom will return this

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# MEXIA SCHOOLS PARTICIPATE IN ESSAY CONTEST

The school children of Mexia have just participated in the Better Home Lighting Contest, which campaign has also been conducted throughout the United States simultaneously with its presentation here. The Community Power and Light Company sponsored the contest locally. The Home Lighting Essay Contest.

The purpose of this contest, which was under the direction of the electrical industry in the United States and the Dominion of Canada, is to inform you and your family in the proper use of electric light so that in future years there will be less eye trouble. Many people have poor eyesight today because the lighting in their homes is not well shaded, or because they do not have enough light, or because the lights are not in the right place.

## Four Things to Do.

The contest was open to the school children of the United States and the Dominion of Canada. It consisted of four parts, as follows:—

1. Study the lessons in the Home Lighting Primer.

2. Investigate the lighting equipment in your own home, and in the homes of two of your friends, and report this investigation in the Primer.

3. Select the fixtures you would use from fixture pages, cut them out and paste them neatly in the proper position on the pictures of the rooms in the Primer so that each room will be properly lighted.

4. Write an essay (not more than 600 words) telling what changes you would make in the lighting of your own home if you wanted to have it lighted properly. Tell why you would make such changes. Write in ink on one side of the paper only.

## Judges.

The electrical industry in each city or locality will appoint its own judges who shall name the winners of the local contests.

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Professor G. R. Anderson, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ont., Can.

## How the Work Will Be Judged.

The work of each contestant for the international prizes will be judged for the following:

1. Knowledge of the lessons as shown by the essay.
2. By the pasting of the fixtures in the drawing of the rooms in the Primer.
3. Originality of ideas and clarity of language in the essay.
4. Thoroughness and neatness of work.

Lights for use in the home have improved quite rapidly during the last two or three generations and as soon as a better light was invented, we just put the new one in place of the older one. First the candle was replaced by the oil lamp, and this in turn by the gas light. When the modern electric light bulbs or incandescent lamps were invented and used in homes instead of gas, they gave more light and were much brighter than anything we had before.

A bright light burning outdoors in the day might not even be noticed, and it would not cause glare because there would not be enough

difference between the brightness of the light and the brightness of the daylight. However, at night this same light would be quite disagreeable and might not be very good for our eyes.

In order to protect our eyes, all lamp bulbs should be shaded in such a way that we cannot see the lighted filament or wire inside the bulb and so that we do not even see a very bright spot in the shade directly in front of this lighted filament. When lights are shaded in this way, it is hardly possible to get too much light for comfortable vision. Sometimes the use of frosted bulbs will help to remove annoying glare.

## WATER WORKS OPERATORS INVITED TO ATTEND SCHOOL.

An invitation is extended to all water works and filter plant operators to attend the Seventh Annual School for Water Works and Filter Plant Operators to be held in Austin January 26-31 under the auspices of the Texas Section of the Southwest Waterworks Association, in cooperation with the Texas State Board of Health, the University of Texas, and the Austin City Water Department. In addition to operators from all over Texas, water commissioners from all parts of the state and prominent consulting and designing engineers from other states will be present during the six day session.

The first three days of the meeting will be devoted to lectures and actual laboratory work under the direction of the faculty of the University of Texas. The last three days

will consist of papers and discussions of the outstanding problems of the water-works profession. The discussions are especially designed for smaller plant operators. Information concerning the sessions may be secured by writing to V. M. Ehlers, secretary of the Texas Section of Southwest Waterworks Association, Capitol Station, Austin.

## BIRTHS AND DEATHS REPORTED TO BUREAU OF STATISTICS

Births reported to the Bureau of Vital Statistics for October totalled 7,945 and deaths 2,869. In addition 200 records have been returned to physicians and undertakers for additional information that they failed to secure before forwarding the certificates to the State Board of Health. Midwives reported 712 of these births, showing that a large percent of the mothers of the state are being attended by these women. Texas has 252 counties with 475 registrars compiling these statistics. Of this number some fifty made no report of births or deaths, with many more omitting statistics on one or the other. Texas is one of the few states still outside of the registration area of the U. S. Public Health Service. To be in this area a state must report at least 90 per cent of its births and deaths.

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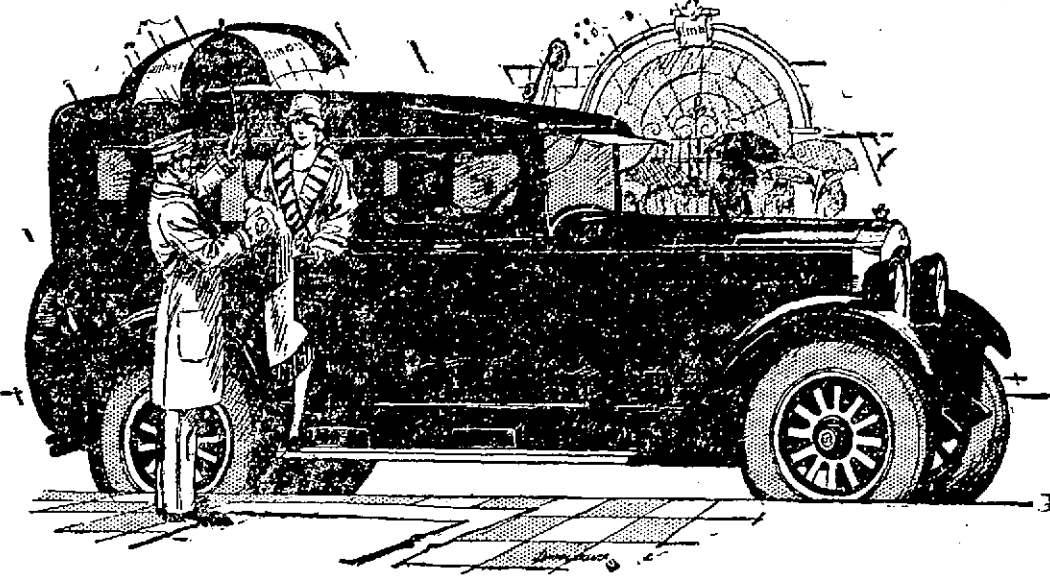
Influenza, with 396 cases, ranks first among the communicable diseases in Texas for the past week as reported by Dr. Malone Duggan, State Health Officer, to Hugh S. Cummings, Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service. Chick-

enpox with 141 cases, tuberculosis with 120, and pneumonia with 50 come second, third and fourth. The following diseases were also reported: anthrax 3, dengue 40, dysentery 15, diphtheria 52, lethargic encephalitis 1, Malta fever 2, measles 16, mumps 42, ophthalmia neonatorum 2, pellagra 26, rabies 1, scarlet fever 48, smallpox 15, tetanus 1, tra-

choma 10, typhoid fever 39, paratyphoid 2, and whooping cough 43.

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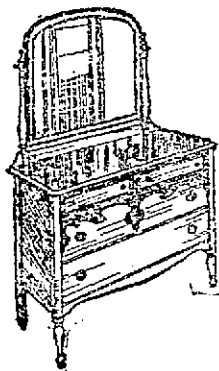
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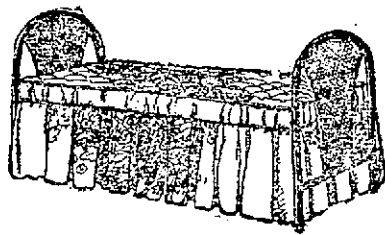
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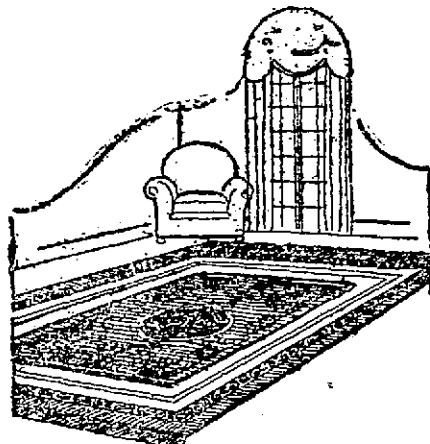


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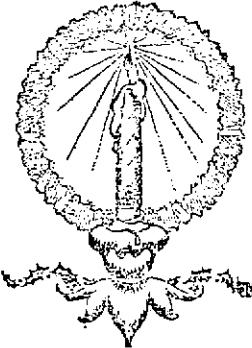
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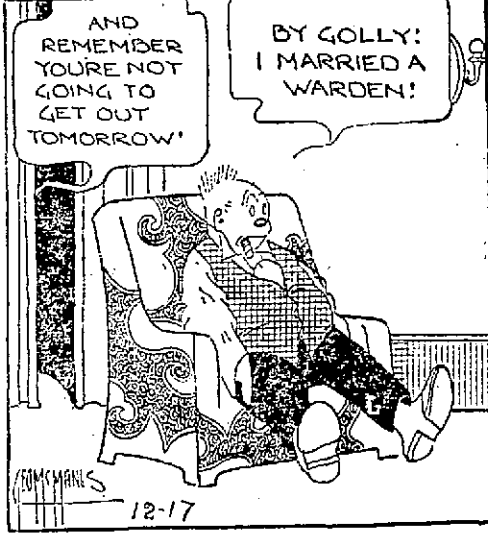
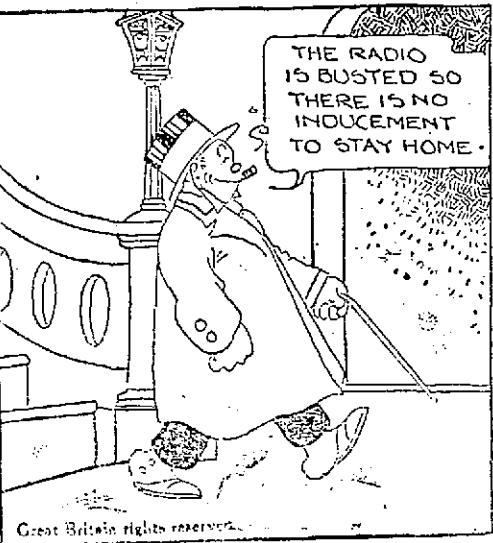
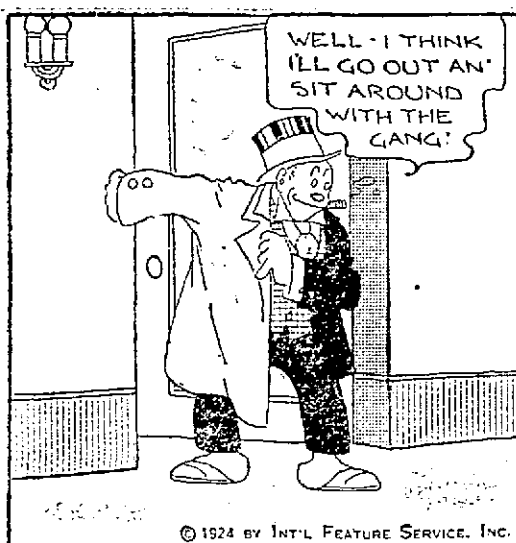
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| Thrall  | ..... 1.00  |
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| 33 to 35.9 gravity  | ..... 1.25  |
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| 33 to 35.9 gravity  | ..... 1.10  |
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| 33 to 35.9 gravity  | ..... 1.10  |
| South Texas   |             |
| Mirando (Texpata)   | ..... .90   |
| Mirando (Magnolia)  | ..... .75   |
| Somerset.   |             |
| 25 gravity and above  | ..... .95   |
| Below 25 gravity  | ..... .85   |
| Gulf Coast.   |             |
| Grade A   | ..... 1.50  |
| Grade A at Blue Ridge, Bull and Pierce Junction   | ..... 1.25  |
| Luling.   |             |
| All gravities   | ..... .90   |
| East Texas.   |             |
| Nacogdoches shallow oil   | ..... 2.00  |
| (Premium of 50c a barrel over price of Texas Coastal Grade A crude posted for Nacogdoches shallow by Yuba Refining Co.) |             |

### H. & T. C. SCHEDULE.

| North Bound.        |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| No. 19 Denon-Ft.W.  | 3:55 a. m. |
| No. 17 Dallas-Ft.W. | 4:30 a. m. |
| No. 37 Dallas-Ft.W. | 4:59 a. m. |
| No. 31 Dallas       | 1:30 p. m. |
| No. 15 Dallas-Ft.W. | 3:31 p. m. |
| No. 33 Ennis        | 7:10 p. m. |

| South Bound.            |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| No. 20 Houston          | 12:16 a. m. |
| No. 38 Austin-SA        | 12:21 a. m. |
| No. 18 Houston          | 1:37 a. m.  |
| No. 34 From Ennis-Stp.  | 7:15 a. m.  |
| No. 22 From Dallas-Stp. | 10:08 a. m. |
| No. 16 Houston-SA       | 11:55 a. m. |

| Cut-Off.               |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| 345 From Navasota-stp. | 1:47 p. m. |
| 346 From Navasota-Lv.  | 7:00 a. m. |

### TRINITY & BRAZOS VALLEY

| North Bound. |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| No. 8        | 2:31 P. M.  |
| South Bound. |             |
| No. 7        | 12:24 P. M. |

SAM B. WERNER, Agt.

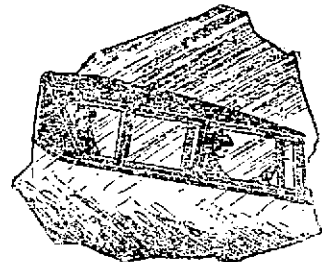
### SCOTTISH RITE COUNCIL FORMED IN VIRGINIA

RICHMOND, Va.—At the request of Robert S. Crump, 33 degree, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Scottish Rite in Virginia, representatives of the seven Valleys in this state met here to organize a Scottish Rite Council of Virginia. Similar organizations in other state were discussed and by unanimous vote a temporary organization was formed and by-laws for its operation were drawn up.

The committee on publication of the Virginia Scottish Rite Bulletin, "Educational News," formerly consisted of a representative from each Valley in the State. This committee has been supplemented by four additional members, and by action of the Scottish Rite Council of Virginia will become a standing committee of the Council and will be known as the Educational Committee.

A. G. Koenig, former superintendent of Mexia schools, now living in Denton, was in the city Tuesday looking after his business interests here being interested in the J. I. Riddle Furniture company.

Mexia Churches welcome you.



### WINTER TOPS

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## BODY OF SAMUEL GOMPERS LIES IN STATE IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The body of Samuel Gompers, veteran labor leader, lay in state at the Elks Club here today while thousands of admirers from New York and other cities filed by to pay their last tribute of respect.

The funeral train arrived here from Washington at 7:30 a. m., and the body was immediately carried to the club, where it will remain until 8 a. m. tomorrow. During the 24-hour period, members of the Elks, Masons and other fraternal orders will serve as guards of honor.

Mrs. Gompers and members of the family arrived with the funeral train. Interment will be tomorrow at Sleepy Hollow cemetery, at Tarrytown, N. Y.

### A SHUT OUT.

The larger oil companies in the Wortham area have requested their physicians to give out no more reports of accidents. Many people have asked us why we are not printing them. At Corsicana and Mexia the physicians are giving these reports out but in Wortham there is nothing doing. We consider this an unfair act.—Wortham Oil News.

The physicians in Mexia have also

received the same instructions. All reports appearing in the Mexia Daily News are received through some other source, than through the local physicians.

### EXPRESSION OF THANKS.

The relatives want to thank the many friends rendering so much assistance during the illness and death of our beloved father T. A. Stockton who died at the home of his daughter Mrs. Bon Hickman at Mexia December 15th. Your kindness and sympathy we appreciate and will be long remembered.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hickman, Mrs. Maggie Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Leuschner, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Blanchard, E. G. Salsner, M. L. Stockton, T. J. Stockton.

Miss Juanita Wallace was a visitor in Waco Tuesday, she was accompanied home from that place by her sister, Miss Velma Wallace who is attending school at Southwestern.

LOST, Strayed or stolen, 1 sorrel mule with dark mane about 15 1/4 or 16 hands high, 1 sorrel mule about 15 hands high, red or roan mane (both horse mules) were necked together when last seen, largest mule has small brand on left jaw. Reward for return of same to F. R. KLOTZ, Mexia, Texas. 17X7

Who has a good high class car they want to trade for a quarter section of land in the proposed oil basin of North Dakota, also good farm land, address box 763, Mexia, Texas. 17X1

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## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll and toy buggy, and a toy store. A set of toy dishes, please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
RUTH FULLER.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, a doll dress and nuts, candy fruit, and cradle sum dishes. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
RUBY ROBESON.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pair of skates, a train, a wagon, and some nuts, candy and fruit. Remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
RUFUS HOGES.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy, I wish you would bring me a tool chest and boxgoves and candy, fruit, fireworks and candy, fruit, fireworks and don't forget my teacher Miss Wallace and Daddy and Mother. With lots of love,  
MARSHALL LANBERTH.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have so many nice things, I don't know what I want you to bring me this time. Please bring me a ring, pair of gloves, story books, a little doll and a few small toys. I am a little girl six years old, my Daddy name is B. F. Brien

and he has a store so I get candy, nuts, cakes and soda water anytime I want it. Please be nice to other little girls and boys, Goodbye Santa,

CLEO BRIEN,  
Route 1, Mexia.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a wagon, a story book, a ball, three sets of tinker toys, a coon jigger, some nuts and candy fruit. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
PRESTON JACKSON.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll and some

skates. A pair of house shoes and a story book. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
JUANITA JAMES.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a jumping rope and some jacks, ball and a set of dishes, nuts, candy and fruit. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,  
MARGUERETTA COX.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am just a boy 13 years old and go to school every day, I am hoping you will bring me a pair of skates, a big harp and some fruit,

candy and nuts. I have been a good boy. With love, your friend,  
WILLIAM SMITH.

WANTED at once, experienced clerk.

Western Union Telegraph Co. 17X1  
W. W. Walters was a visitor from Houston today.  
H. W. Wimberly was here on business from Dallas today.

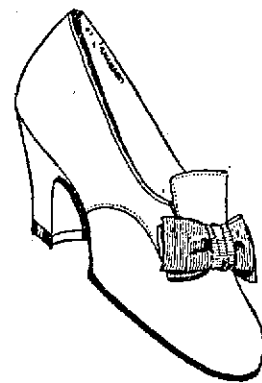
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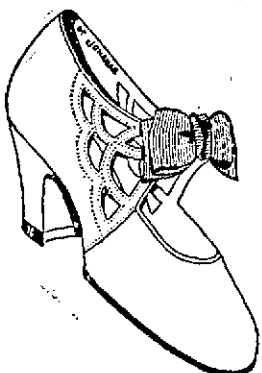
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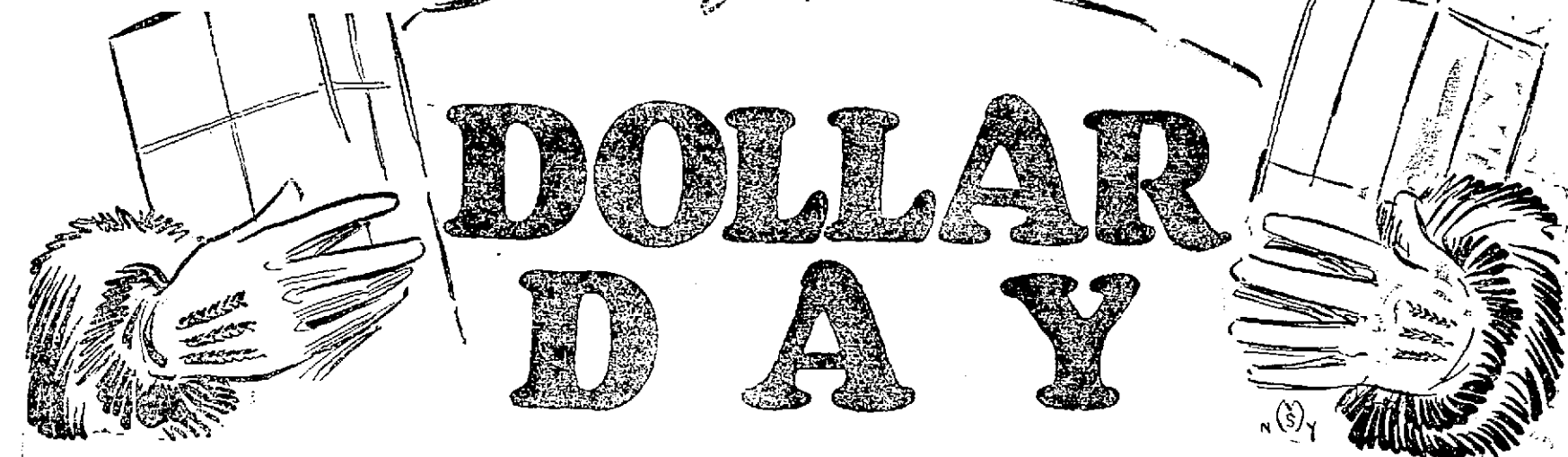
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—One big lot of Christmas Silk Hose in all colors, special Thursday at per pair—\$1

### Suit Cases, Gladstones Hand Bags

—\$5.00 off on any Suit Case, Gladstone or Traveling Bag selling up to \$24.50 for tomorrow only.

### Edwin Clapp Shoes

—\$2.00 off of any pair of Edwin Clapp Shoes in our entire department. This is a mighty good time to buy your Christmas Shoes.

### Men's Silk Sox

—One lot of men's Silk Sox, all colors, very acceptable for Christmas gifts, regularly selling for \$1.25 per pair, tomorrow only per pair—\$1

### Ladies Fiber Silk Suits

—One lot of 36 inch plaid suiting, \$1.00 grade, special tomorrow only at 2 yards—\$1

### Ladies' Hats

—Any ladies winter hat in our department can be bought tomorrow for each—\$1

### Huck Towels

—One big lot of huck towels, regularly selling at 25c per pair, tomorrow 10 towels—\$1

### Hose

—Splendid quality fiber silk hose; all colors; reinforced heels and toes. Special for tomorrow at 2 pair for—\$1

### Hope Domestic

—Come load up at this price. All you want for Dollar Day at 7 yards for—\$1

### Boys Unions

—Offering for tomorrow only one big lot of boy's knit union suits, regularly selling at \$1.25 each, tomorrow only each suit—\$1

### Dress Gingham

—A very pretty lot of dress gingham; 27 inches wide; assorted patterns in stripes and checks. Regularly selling at 15c per yard; tomorrow only 8 yards for—\$1

### Napkins

—Gift napkins. Any lady who has a home will appreciate napkins. They are always so useful. One lot specially priced for tomorrow at 12 for—\$1

### Serpentine Crepe

—Offering for tomorrow only one big lot of Serpentine Crepe; regularly selling at 35c per yd. Special for tomorrow at 4 yards for—\$1

### Madras

—One big lot of 36 inch madras, 36 inches wide, regularly selling at 50c per yard, tomorrow only 3 yards for—\$1

### French Gingham

—In all the new shades and patterns; 32-inches wide; on sale Dollar Day at the special price of 3 yards for—\$1

### Sheets

—One big lot of 72x90 sheets made of good grade material. Special for tomorrow at each—\$1

### Pillow Cases

—One lot of pillow cases, worth 25c each, tomorrow only 5 for—\$1

### Mens' Unions

—One lot of men's ankle length knit union suits, \$1.25 values, tomorrow each suit—\$1

### Curtain Scrim

—One big lot of curtain scrim selling regularly for 50c per yard, tomorrow only 3 yards for—\$1

### Boys Night Shirts

—One lot of boys outing flannel night shirts; regularly selling at \$1.50 each; tomorrow only each—\$1

### Brown Domestic

—We place on sale for Dollar Day one lot of 36 inch Brown Domestic; our 15c grade; tomorrow only 10 yards for—\$1

### Dress Flannel

—One lot of dress flannel, \$1.50 grade, special for Thursday only at the yard—\$1

### Bleached Domestic

—36 inches wide, very special for tomorrow at 10 yards for—\$1

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